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Tai Po Market dep.	7.33	9.27	10.07	11.15	12.52	2.09	5.23	6.17	7.59
Fanling dep.	7.53	9.47	10.27	11.35	13.12	2.29	5.43	6.37	8.09
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Shum Chun arr.	7.44	9.39	10.19	11.27	13.04	2.16	5.33	6.27	8.09

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Tai Po Market dep.	7.43	8.27	8.57	10.58	12.02	3.21	5.01	5.33
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THE LINKS "HOG."

Recent incidents on American courses have led to the golfing public being severely lectured by an American writer as regards a stricter observance of the etiquette of the links. It is a timely warning. Golf is the sport of gentlemen, and is governed by an exacting code of ethics which none may break with a contemptuous disregard of the feelings and the rights of his fellows. If he does he should be treated as an outlaw. The problem presented to the New York Supreme Court for decision, the result of an accident at the Ramson Country Club, Sea Bright, New Jersey, makes one wonder where the end will lead if actions for damages are brought for every mishap on the links. Like the motorist, the golfer will, from sheer preservation, require to insure himself against every conceivable kind of risk.

In the case mentioned, Mr. John B. Harris, a bond salesman, claimed \$15,000 damages against Mr. Henry Coe, son of a banker, who, it was alleged, struck the plaintiff on the head with a golf ball, causing concussion of the brain and temporary mental derangement. The facts showed that Mr. Harris was moving from the green at a short hole. Mr. Coe's tee shot struck him, incapacitating him from work for a period of twenty-one months. A point of golfing etiquette was involved. Is a player entitled to make his shot before the players in front have left the green, and before they are out of the range of fire? The answer will be—Most decidedly not. But the New York jury thought otherwise, for they decided that a golfer must exercise ordinary care against being hit by a ball from a player following, and if he does not and is hit he is merely "out of luck" and cannot obtain redress.

Apparently, the jury were influenced by the judge's summing-up. He laid it down that: "When a player goes on the links he assumes the risks of the game as it is played by a reasonably prudent and careful person. He knows that the best players make poor shots, and that the less experienced players often make them. In determining the degree of care to be observed by the driving player, the ordinary rules of negligence should be followed. The driving player must use ordinary care not to injure the player in front of him, but the player ahead must also use ordinary care so as not to be injured."

AN INDEFENSIBLE ACT.

All this sounds very ambiguous and beside the point. To say to the man who is injured, "Well, it is your own fault if you are hit," is indefensible, and shows a complete lack of knowledge of the unwritten laws of the game. This plain fact is that this particular accident would never have happened if the player had waited until the couple in front had quit the green and were entirely clear of it. Rule III of the Etiquette of Golf reads: "No player should play from the tee until the party in front have played their second strokes and are out of range, not play up to the putting-green till the party in front have holed out and moved away." Little is left for doubt in interpreting this rule. If Mr. Harris had strictly observed it the mishap would not have occurred, and he can consider himself an exceedingly lucky fellow in escaping the consequences of an unlawful act as known on the links.

A decision of this kind is likely to encourage the links "hog," and experience shows that he needs no encouragement. The safe rule that the players ahead must be out of range before the player behind plays, their shots are honored too much in the breach, especially in these days of untutored golfers. "I can never get there," is a phrase too often heard as the player bangs away before the people in front have moved out of range. And when the offender surprises himself by hitting an unusually long and straight shot his apology takes this idiotic form: "Sorry, I never dreamt I could get so far." This type of golfer needs to be taught a severe lesson, and committees of clubs have it in their power to make an example of the "hog" who is brought before them. Offences of this description are often perpetrated at short holes where the players strike off the moment the flag has been replaced and before the people in front have had time to quit the green. Apparently there is need for the exercise of care on the Leeds municipal courses, for Mr. J. J. P. Kent, the captain of the Golfers' Club, speaking the other day at the annual meeting, gave this advice to new members: "Before you get a good grip of a club you should get a good grip of the rules and etiquette of the game, as without strict observance of the etiquette there is no worse game in the world than golf." This might with advantage be displayed as a text in all golf clubs as a reminder to the inconsiderate fellow who thinks of none but himself.

THE GUFFAWING GOLFER.

The temptation to laugh at another's misfortune is sometimes difficult to overcome, but if laughter cannot be suppressed it should be done discreetly and, for safety, behind the cloak of one's handkerchief. A guffawing golfer has just met with a severe rebuke in the Chicago courts. Mr. Ivan Picard, a bond broker, has been sentenced to perpetual exile from the Lincoln Park golf course, one of Chicago's municipal enterprises, for laughing at another player who topped his drive. Mr. Picard, who was seated on a bench near the first tee, guffawed loudly when a portly player, "missed the globe" and lost his balance. This outburst of hilarity so amused other players, who saw nothing amusing in the portly gentleman's capers, that they gave Mr. Picard into custody. The magistrate took a serious view of the matter, as the offender was barred for all time from using the municipal course, and, furthermore, the police were instructed to arrest him if he ever dared to put in an appearance. Evidently the American

takes his golf very seriously. Mr. Picard has our sympathy. To refrain from merriment when a very stout gentleman misses the ball and spins round like a top seems to be asking the impossible.

But there is another side to the question of "driving in" to the people in front. It occurs too often that players are hampered in moving forward by those in front trying over their putts in direct defiance to Rule IV. As a result the whole course is kept back. And there is the man who, after making an unsatisfactory shot, will try his swing over again at an imaginary ball, not once, but many times. These are the evils of the game which are largely responsible for much of the dissatisfaction openly expressed on crowded courses. These are heinous offences which should be dealt with summarily. Even so, they do not justify the act of "driving in" to people. In this country we have not progressed quite so far as is the case with America, where on some courses there are traffic regulators, who speed up the play and compel the slow golfer to give way to those who are keeping their places. The worst offenders of the links are those who positively refuse to permit anyone to go through, no matter what the existing conditions may be. Even when a ball is lost, no sign is made to those behind. It should be borne in mind that immediately a ball cannot be found the couple following should be "waved through." And once permission for this has been given there is no revocation—the side must go through. One of the most aggravating practices of the links is to wave a match through and then continue playing at the same time. Progress cannot be made, and in the confusion that reigns accidents sometimes happen. Players who are passing often adopt an attitude of veiled hostility; there is no justification for it, and such conduct is neither friendly nor sportsmanlike.

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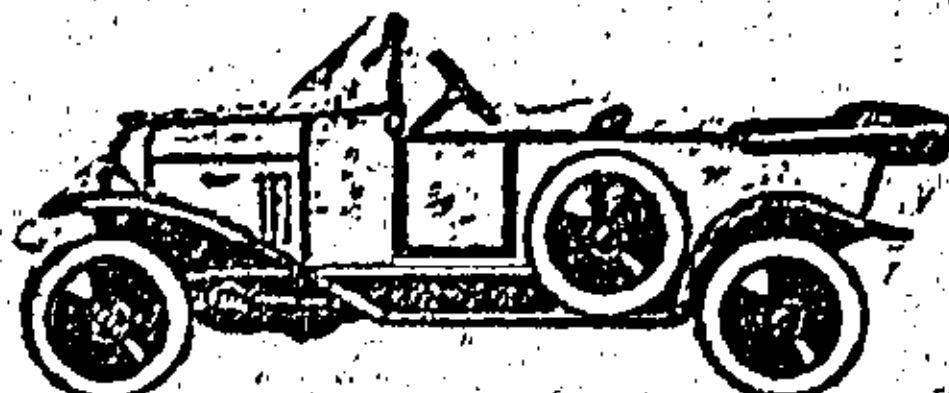
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Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have strengthened and are in demand at \$1,160. The London price remains unaltered at \$120.10 (middle).

Marine and Fire Insurances.—Unions have been dealt in at \$211/\$215. China Underwriters have changed from \$110 to \$115. Canton at \$715. North China at \$110. Yangtze at \$115. China Fires at \$115 and Hongkong Fires at \$355 are saleable at quotations.

Shipping.—There are buyers of Star Ferries at \$25 and Union Waterboats at \$15. Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamships declined to \$40 at which rate sales have been effected. Douglas Steamships have been taken off the market at \$30.

Refineries.—China Sugars have ruled strong and business has been done up to \$28. Malabars are wanted at \$17. Oils and Mithun.—Benguetts have again been placed at \$2. "Shell" Transports have advanced to 91. Railways at 68. Langkats at \$1. Raubs at \$5. Tronohs at \$4. and Ural Caspians at \$4. have not moved.

Electric Companies.—Transactions have been made in Hongkong Electric at \$25/\$25. Hongkong Trams were negotiated at \$25 in the beginning of the week, but have since firmed up to \$28. China Lights (New) have been booked at \$3, while the (Old) shares are wanted at \$14.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves show a slight recovery and there are buyers at \$100 after transactions at this rate. Hongkong and Whampoa Docks, owing to forced sales on account of the Settlement, receded to \$151, but at the close buyers are offering \$153. Hongkong Wharves are required for at \$15. Shanghai Docks have declined to \$12. New Engineerings are quiet at \$15. 500.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands have been placed to a fair extent at rates between \$120 and \$121 and more are wanted at the latter figure. Hongkong Hotels have partly recovered the dividend paid and are enquired for at \$35 cum rights. Hongkong Realty's have been placed at \$21 while Prince's Buildings at \$130 and Humphrey's Estates at \$24 are unchanged from last week.

Cotton Mills.—Ewos are asked for at \$11.70 and Orientals at \$15. 5. Shanghai Cottons have remained stationary at \$15. 65.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements were sold to a considerable extent down as low as \$32, but since the Settlement sales have been effected at \$33/\$34. China Providents have been booked to a fair extent up to \$25 cum all. Hongkong Ropes declined somewhat owing to Settlement influences and business was done down to \$62 cum all, but have since regained strength and have been put through at \$67. Lane, Crawford & Co. have been done at \$19 and continue in request. Dairy Farms have been bought at \$25 and Watson's at \$27. Hongkong Constructions have changed hands at \$7 and Developments at \$1.15. There are buyers of Canton Lees at \$7, Peak Trams at \$15, Taxicabs at \$4, and Wm. Powell's at \$18 and \$16 for the Old and New shares respectively.

SALT CONTROL IN INDIA.

"RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT"

Sir Richard Dane, who was at the head of the Salt Administration in India for nearly a dozen years to 1909, and thereafter was Foreign Chief Inspector of Salt Revenue in China to 1918, lectured on the manufacture of salt in India under Government monopoly to the Royal Society of Arts on February 15th.

His paper showed that while before the war there was no failure of supply, there was no margin, and that during the war there was serious shortage, with consequent high prices. Adon salt has now largely replaced the import of the Cheshire product. Sir Richard Dane criticized the present arrangements for discharging the responsibilities of Government regarding salt production.

Lord Meston, who presided, said that the responsibility of the Indian Government went far beyond the protection of the legitimate interests of the producers. They were responsible for three vital services—the supply to the people of India of cheap, good, and abundant salt, which was one of the most imperative necessities of the life of the simplest and humblest peasant; a sufficient saline products to provide a basis for the many great chemical industries of the country. There was a time when the taxation of salt was regarded as the fiscal war reserve of the country. Recent controversies connected with the Vigoro's certification last year of the enhanced duty had made it a political reserve; but it was to be hoped that this controversy would not recur, and that revenue from the salt duty would be allowed to take its proper place in the financial resources of the country.

Sir Thomas Holland considered that the restrictions on the local manufacture of earth salt were irksome and ineffective, as well as hard on the poorest classes. He did not think the cost of preventive measures was worth the saving in tax, whilst it probably added to the burdens which were generally falling on the saltpetre industry. The ultimate object to be aimed at was a reduction of the salt tax, without necessarily its abolition.

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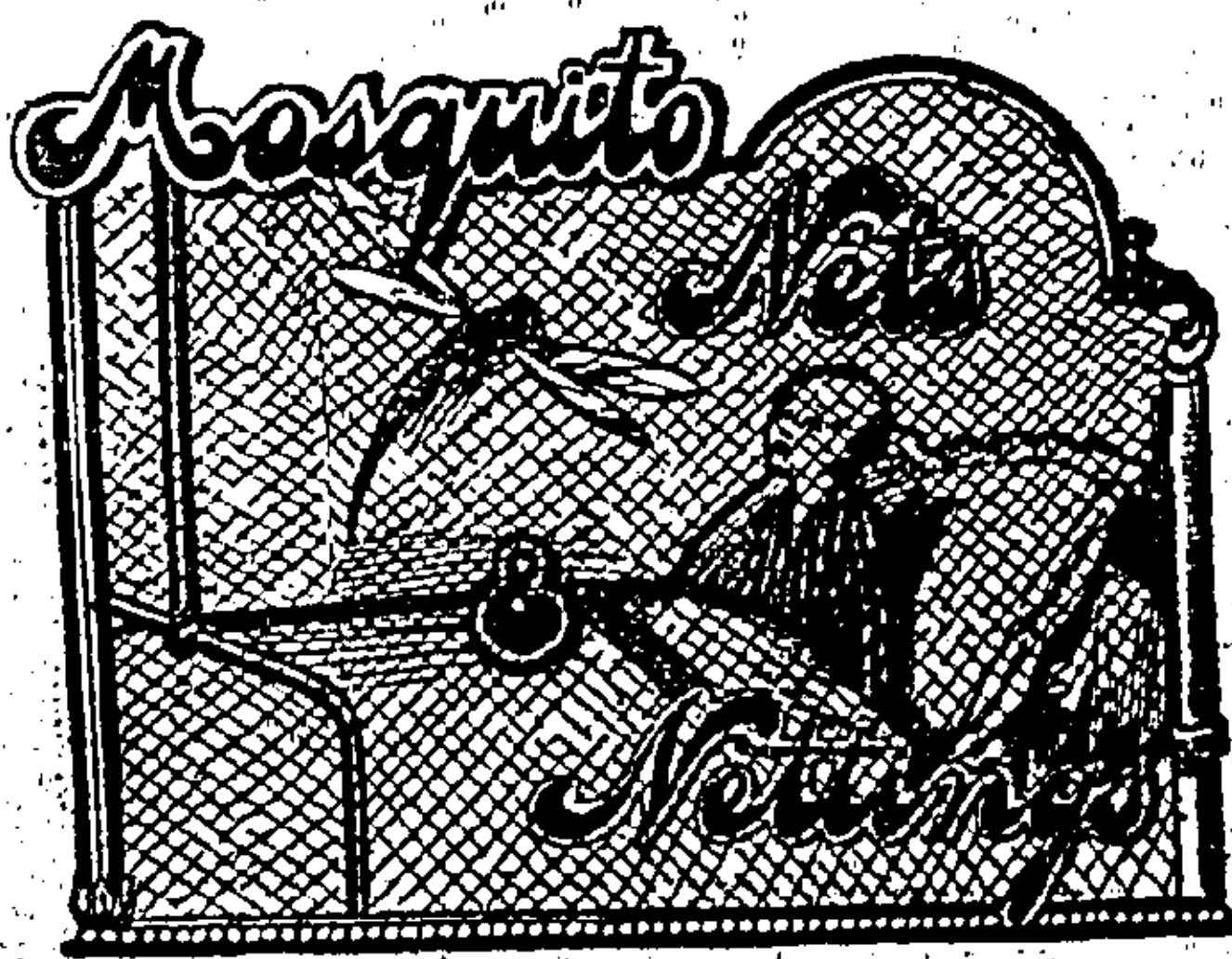
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CANTON CONSULS.

DINNER BY THE GOVERNOR IN THEIR HONOUR.

At the dinner given in honour of the Consular Body in Canton on the 25th inst. Governor Yang Shiu-kam, the Canton Gazette says: made the following speech:

"It gives me much pleasure and honour to see the Consuls who have come to my little dinner this evening, and I regret very much, on the other hand, that I could not give a greater display on the occasion, on account of the present turbulent condition of the country; which I sincerely hope the Consuls will well understand."

"I take this opportunity in mentioning that the Province is at the present moment in a state of war, and they may have experienced great inconvenience of communications in their business; for which they have my deepest regret and sympathy. But allow me to point out to our foreign friends that in this warfare, the Generalissimo and the Civil and Military officials do not fight for the sake of fighting, but for that of peace and law. And I believe that all the great Powers also went through this course of contention before they attained their existing condition of prosperity. China makes no exception to the rule."

"Our Government is, however, always exerting its best endeavours to cause as little trouble as possible to the lives and properties of both foreigners and Chinese and to ensure peace and order among the people outside the fighting zones. Under these circumstances I again earnestly ask the Consuls of the friendly nations to understand the reason of our fighting and to afford this Government their forbearance and assistance; for which not only myself but also the thirty-million people of the Province will be appreciative. I further beg to express the hope that the existing pleasant relationship between this Government and the Foreign Governments will continue and become closer. Gentlemen, I ask you to rise and drink to the health of the Consuls."

Mr. Asano, Consul-General for Japan in Canton, in response to the Governor's speech, spoke in effect as follows:—I have much pleasure in rising on behalf of myself and my colleagues to thank our host, who has tendered to us such a splendid entertainment this evening. First of all I must congratulate our host upon his assumption of the Governorship of Kwangtung, and secondly I must congratulate the people of Kwangtung upon having as their Governor our host. It is scarcely necessary for me to remind you that the task of a Governor of a province is an onerous and difficult one, especially at such a time as the present and in such a place as Canton. He has not only to work for the preservation of peace and order among the people of his own country but also to work for the protection of the lives and properties of foreign residents. Kwangtung has no Governor for some months when Mr. Luo Chung Kai was away, and though Mr. Chen Shu-yen as his deputy carried on the administration smoothly and satisfactorily, yet there was the feeling of a house having no master. When our host assumed office I can imagine the gladness of all concerned. Our host and his past are well known to you all and I need say very little. When he was Governor of the province of Szechuan he acquired himself admirably in that important post. The Chinese have a saying, "If one can govern Szechuan, one can govern China." So the people of this province can be sure that our host's administration will certainly be good and satisfactory. I dare to say that it would be difficult to find a second personage like our host. In conclusion, I ask my colleagues to rise and drink to the health of our host."

MALAYAN COLLIERIES.

CAUSE CELEBRE AT KUALA LUMPUR.

OPENING OF PECK-RUSSELL CASE.

The action which has come to be known as the Peck-Russell case commenced in the Supreme Court at Kuala Lumpur on March 17th, before Mr. Justice M. H. Whitley.

Apart from the very large amount of money involved, says a message to the Straits Times, this is the most important case that has come before the courts in Malaya for many years, if only because it brings into question for the first time the system by which public companies are directed by managing agents. The proceedings are expected to last for three weeks.

This action is brought by Mr. F. C. Peck on behalf of a minority of shareholders in Malayan Collieries, Ltd., against Mr. J. A. Russell, Messrs. J. A. Russell & Co., and Malayan Collieries, Ltd. The third defendants (Malayan Collieries) are parties to the case because they are interested in the result, but no actual claim is made against the company.

The plaintiff sues for \$1,720,000 damages and interest thereon, jointly and severally against Mr. Russell and his firm. He alleges that this amount of money was profit which Mr. Russell and his firm made out of a deal with the company in a coal-mine called the Groening Batu Besar mine, situated in Dutch Borneo.

Plaintiff alleges that Mr. Russell obtained for the company an option over this property, which he then sold to the company without full or proper disclosure. He alleges that Mr. Russell, if he did not obtain the option for the company, obtained it under circumstances which made it the property of the company; and plaintiff brings charges of fraud against Mr. Russell and his firm. Mr. Russell was the chairman of Malayan Collieries, and managing partner of Russell & Co., who were the managing agents of Malayan Collieries.

Defendants deny in toto Mr. Peck's allegations. They say that they bought the option for themselves, and sold it to the company, and they deny the charges of fraud and want of good faith.

HONGKONG AND NEW TERRITORIES EVANGELISATION SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong and New Territories Evangelisation Society was held on Wednesday in the Lecture Hall of Union Church. A good attendance of supporters, both European and Chinese, was present, and advantage was taken of the sunshine to serve tea in the pleasant compound of the church.

The subsequent meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. J. H. Johnson, after which the chairman, Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, moved the adoption of the report and balance sheet. He referred to interesting features in the work of the past year, especially the recent ordination of the superintending Chinese evangelist, Mr. Li Shui Kwai, to the pastorate, a new and important departure which was likely to prove of much advantage to the world. The loss to the Society of its diligent secretary, Mr. W. W. Macdonald, through his removal to Shanghai, was noted with regret.

Seconded by Mr. C. C. Hickling the adoption of report and account was duly carried.

The Chairman then briefly moved the adoption of a new constitution, explaining that its effect would be to alter the basis of the Society from one of individual membership to a union of associated congregations with power to admit others. The change had been carefully considered by the two churches so far concerned, viz., Union Church and the To Tsai Church.

The motion securing the necessary confirmation of the annual meeting, was seconded by Mr. E. B. Currey and unanimously adopted.

The following appointments to the Controlling Body, made by the respective churches, were confirmed:—
Union Church.—Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, Mrs. Hickling, Messrs. J. L. Macpherson, R. L. Moeller, P. D. Wilson and J. H. Lamb.

To Tsai Church.—Rev. Cheung Chuk Ling, Mrs. Hoi Shiu Lan, Miss H. Y. Yung, Messrs. Chan Cho Nam, Tsui Mo Chi and Young King Tak.

Addressing the work in villages of the Territories and islands was given by Mr. E. Harlow, Mr. Hoi, Rev. Li Shui Kwai and C. L. Cheung, the Rev. Dr. Pearce acting where necessary as interpreter.

Mr. Li, followed by Mrs. Ku Kwai Tak, the wife of the preacher at Castle Peak, emphasised the need of more Biblewomen amongst the women and girls.

Votes of thanks brought an interesting and successful meeting to a close.

MAH JONG AND OTHER CHINESE THINGS.

When speaking at the Oriental Circle Dinner at the Loccum Club on February 25th, Mr. Chao Hsin Chu said if they looked at the map of China and studied its geographical facts they would be convinced that China possessed unlimited natural resources, and when it was opened up economically would be one of the largest in the world. Such development would not only be beneficial to China itself, but the world as a whole would share its prosperity through reciprocity and co-operative enterprise. He went on to state:—

Whenever I am in public I have been always asked about the classic game of Mah Jong. Most people who know nothing about China seem to know something about this game. I presume you perhaps play that game in your fashionable club-house here. If so, I would not blame you. Mah Jong is indeed a very fascinating game, because of its complication. As a rule, the greater the complication, the more interesting will be the play. I gather from the British papers recently that this game is played in China by the noble class. This is entirely untrue.

This game is for society in China. It is much on the same footing as bridge. I also notice another article which remarks that the game has been discovered to have unsuspected perils, since it is alleged that the cards in the game are contained in the red and black Chinese lacquer boxes, from which, as they are made of poisoned ivory, the players may catch a disease. This is a playful exaggeration. Red and black Chinese lacquer is used on a kind of hard wood employed mostly in making valuable furniture. If you visit a nice Chinese home you will find every piece of furniture in the drawing-room is made of red and black lacquer. We have never discovered in my country in the last few thousands of years that lacquer could impart poison to the people who use such furniture. Of course, if we live longer we may learn more. I am not intending to defend the game of Mah Jong. I only wish to correct the wrong impression with regard to it. We did not introduce the game to this country, or to America, but Westerners did. We are not looking for any advantage in its being so introduced to foreign countries. Still, there are other things in China which you can study more usefully; for instance, Chinese handwriting, which is an art appreciated by the literary class. If you have a talent for art, you may learn to write Chinese characters as you learn painting. If you take Chinese writing and practice it on the same basis as Western painting, you will become a great Chinese artist. I presume you all like Chinese water-colour pictures. If so, I suggest you should learn how to draw them instead of spending your time in playing an Oriental game. Even the Chinese language is worth studying on your part. Some people seem to think that Westerners will never be able to learn our Chinese characters. I can assure you that you can do so if you make up your mind to it.

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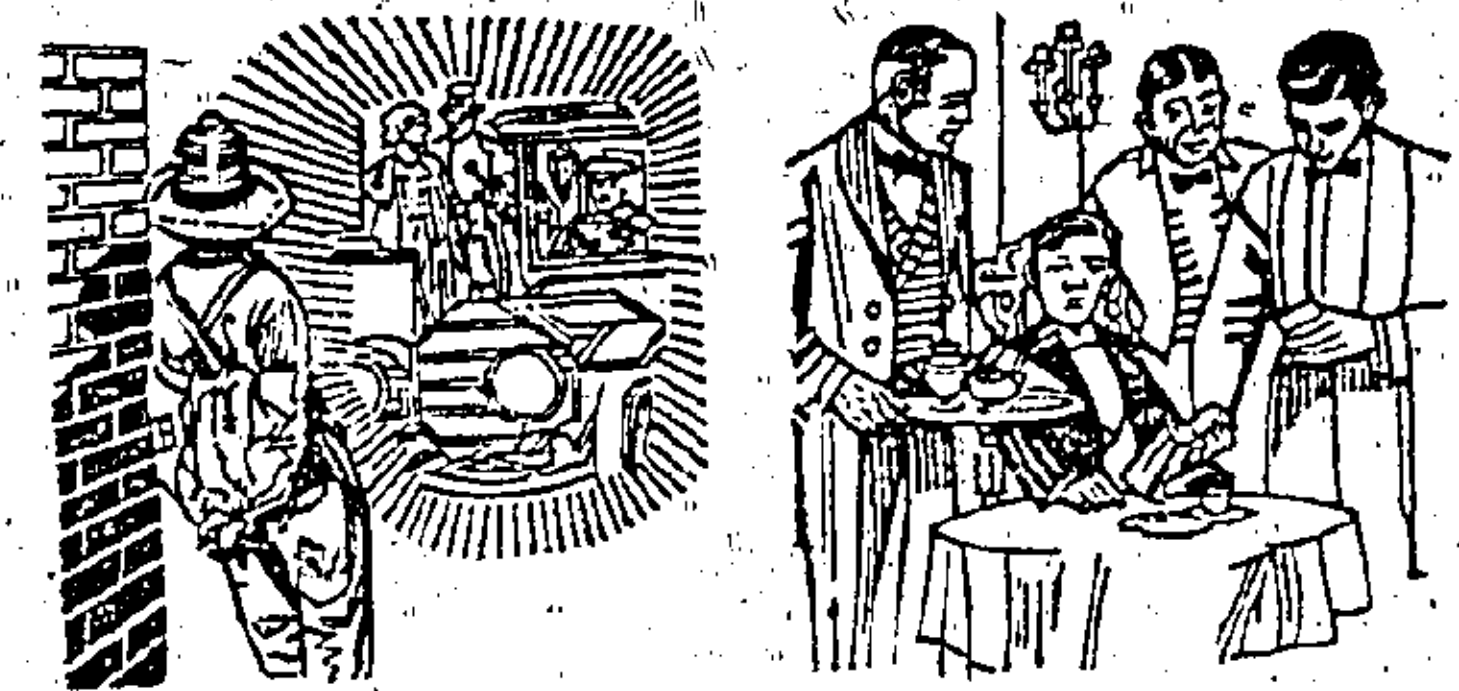
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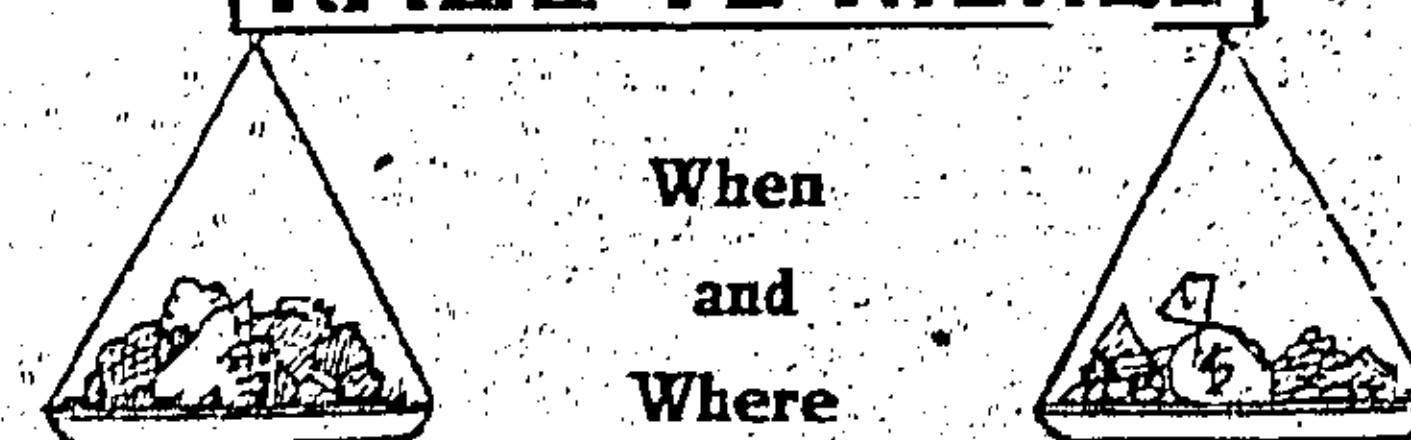
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POSITION OF THE S.C.A. LEGAL QUERY IN THE SUMMARY COURT.

In the Summary Court yesterday, before Mr. Justice Gompertz (Puisne Judge), Messrs. Yung Chik Fook and Ho Shing Ki, owners of a row of houses in First Street, sued for the possession of eleven of them. There were 25 different tenants altogether, but 14 had already given up possession, the remaining 11 refusing to leave on a point of law submitted by their solicitor. Notice to quit was given in October last, on the ground that the premises were to be pulled down and re-erected. The necessary certificate from the Building Authority had been obtained.

In stating plaintiffs' case, Mr. H. C. Macnamara said that three months' notice was given on October 27th last. It was admitted that such notice was quite in order so far as the Rents Ordinance was concerned. The only defence was that notice, as required by Common Law, was not given, it being contended that the notice did not expire on a date of occupation. The effect of that defence was to claim that 25 notices should have been given, one conforming to the Rents Ordinance and one conforming to Common Law by which the defence would plead, a notice to quit must terminate on a date corresponding to that on which the tenancy would normally have expired. All the tenants went into possession on different dates and it was claimed that 25 different notices, expiring on 25 different dates, should have been served. He (Mr. Macnamara) would contend that such notices were not required by Common Law.

The tenants, when given notice, went to the office of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs and there arranged for a little extension of time. They verbally agreed to move out on March 14th, and the plaintiffs afterwards signed contracts whereby the work of demolition was to have been started on March 15th. By the refusal of the tenants to go, the plaintiffs had suffered injury and would certainly have to pay damages to the contractors. Even if the notice to quit was not in conformity with what was required by Common Law, he contended that the agreement reached in the office of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs was binding, although nothing was signed. He had subpoenaed Mr. Nihill, of the Secretariat, to come and give evidence, but Mr. Nihill had objected and his Lordship would have to rule whether Mr. Nihill could be asked to give evidence or not.

His Lordship: It rather lessens the usefulness of the S.C.A. if he is liable to be hauled into Court to give evidence on disputes which he has previously settled by way of compromise. Mr. Macnamara said the answer to that was that it also diminished the usefulness of the S.C.A. if people made agreements before him and did not carry them out, as had happened in this case.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ (who appeared for defendants) said his position on this point was that when the notice to quit was given, some of the tenants went to the S.C.A., not having consulted a solicitor, to see if the notice was a good one and to ask for an extension of time. It was possible some arrangement was made there. There were, however, some tenants who did not go.

Mr. J. H. B. Nihill, stating the objections held by the S.C.A. to his giving evidence, said he was instructed by Mr. Wood to lodge an objection to giving evidence of proceedings or conversations in the office of the S.C.A. on the ground that it would be prejudicial and injurious to the public interests and service. Mr. Wood had asked him to say that in his opinion the usefulness of his department would be impaired if his position as confidential counsellor to the Chinese public was broken through either himself or his assistants having to publish what went on in his office. In principle and Mr. Wood desired, if necessary, to instruct the law officers to argue the matter.

Giving evidence, one of the two plaintiffs produced a contract showing that the premises were to be pulled down and re-built at a cost of \$40,000. Subsequent to what happened at the offices of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs he was induced to enter into this contract and the tenants agreed to quit on March 14th.

Mr. Russ cross-examined the witness, who denied that he signed the contract before the interview with the S.C.A. He said it was signed on January 31st and that interview was on January 23rd. This was all the evidence offered for the plaintiff.

His Lordship said he would let the case proceed, and if he found on certain facts for the plaintiffs it would be unnecessary for the argument regarding Mr. Nihill's evidence. If he was against plaintiffs Mr. Macnamara would be ready to argue it. Mr. Russ, opening his case for the defence, replied to the legal points raised by Mr. Macnamara. He said it was decided as far back as 1874 that in the case of a quarterly tenancy a quarter's notice was sufficient, the notice being terminable on quarter day. In the matter of monthly and weekly tenancies it had never been definitely settled what length of time was necessary. It had never been suggested or thought possible that any person should terminate a tenancy in the middle of a period, the reason being that it was certain no one ever doubted it. In the middle 19th century never thought of it. It had always been taken for granted that these tenancies should not end in the middle of a period. If his Lordship admitted the notice terminating the tenancy in the middle of a period it would be just as logical to hold that it could terminate at a certain hour. From 1864 onwards it had been held by all text-books that a monthly tenancy required some notice to quit, probably a month and did not have the smallest doubt that it must relate to the month and was to end at the end of the month. (Continued at foot of next column.)

THE BRITISH LEGION. ANNUAL MEETING.

Last year's attendance at the annual meeting of the local branch of the British Legion was described at the time as being "poor," but this year's annual meeting, held last evening at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., can only be described as being very poor. Out of a total membership of 110 there were four members of the Committee and seven ordinary members present. There was some doubt expressed before the meeting as to what number constituted a quorum but it was finally decided to "carry on."

Mr. L. G. Bird, President of the local Branch of the Legion, presided and other Committee men present were Mr. R. E. Cable (Hon. Secretary), Mr. A. H. K. Cobb and Mr. F. W. James. Mr. L. G. Bird, in presenting the report and accounts, said the balance sheet showed cash in hand at the bank was \$3,170, and since the accounts had been closed they had received \$1,887 from Sir Paul Chater's fund and subscriptions amounting to \$75. They had therefore \$3,113 to their credit. It was gratifying to announce that there had been fewer applicants for relief and they hoped it was indicative of improvement of ex-service men here and elsewhere.

The Chairman commented on the success of "Poppy Day" when \$1,007 was collected and forwarded to the Headquarters of the Legion. He read a letter of thanks from the Secretary of the Appeal Department, which had already been published. He was sure they would agree a hearty vote of thanks was due to Mr. D. L. Ralph, his sub-committee, the ladies who sold poppies and all who assisted on "Poppy Day."

The membership of the Legion was now 119 and he hoped new members would join. He was sure there were a large number of ladies in the Colony eligible for membership. The Legion was open to all ladies who were nursing, driving cars, or doing other war work. It was with regret that he had to announce the resignation of the Hon. Secretary (Mr. R. E. Cable) and the Hon. Treasurer (Mr. W. J. Hawker) who were both going home. Their thanks were due to them and to the Hon. Mr. A. R. Lowe and Mr. A. Percy for auditing the accounts.

The Chairman then formally proposed the adoption of the report and accounts. Mr. F. C. Hall seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. L. G. Bird was unanimously elected President and Mr. G. K. Hull Brutton Chairman. Some difficulty was experienced in the appointment of a new Hon. Secretary and Mr. Cable willingly agreed to carry on the duties until such time as a relief had been found. The Committee was elected as follows: The Rev. Clouston Perri, Mr. F. W. James, Mr. A. H. K. Cobb, Mr. F. C. Hall and Mr. H. Glanville.

This was all the business before the meeting.

ALLEGED ASSAULT ON A "MUI TSUI." TWO WOMEN CHARGED.

A married woman named Cheng Yu Shu, and her daughter, Yip Shiu Mui, were charged at the Magistrate's yesterday before Mr. H. E. Juddell with assaulting a *mui tsui*. The mother was also charged with ill-treating another servant-girl. Doctor's certificates showed that the girl was badly knocked about.

Mr. R. E. A. Webster, who defended, asked for a reduction of the bail, and eventually his Worship fixed the amount at \$1,000 each, half of this being in cash and the remainder in a personal surety. His Worship observed that if he found the case proved, a fine would not be sufficient.

MARINE COURT CASES.

The master of the s.s. *Kuany Fat* was fined \$19 yesterday for failing to observe the rule of the road.

The owner of motor-boat *Wing Cheong* No. 3 was fined \$10 for being under way without having a certified coxswain aboard.

The coxswain of motor-boat *Wing Cheong* No. 4 was fined \$5 for being under way without exhibiting regulation lights.

Masters of five small craft were each fined \$5 for obstructing the Government Pier at Yau Ma Tei Bay.

COURT MARTIAL.

Pte. Reginald George Baker of the 2nd Battalion The King's Regt. was charged before a District Court Martial yesterday morning with: (1) deserting from H.M. Forces; (2) escaping from confinement until arrested in plain clothes; and (3), losing by neglect his regimental clothes and necessaries. The prisoner pleaded "Guilty."

That accused was confined at the Detention Barracks and he contrived with another prisoner to escape on November 9th, 1923. On February 11th this year, he was arrested at the Seamen's Institute, Kowloon, by Sgt. Puttock.

The Court was presided over by Major A. L. Cruickshank, D.S.O., R.G.A., and the other members were Capt. A. S. Hey, 2/4th Bombay Grenadiers (K.F.O.), and Lieut. F. W. Richards, 1st Battalion East Surrey Regiment.

Sentence will be promulgated in due course.

Mr. Russ proceeded to quote many cases over a long period of years, relying mainly on a recent judgment by Mr. Justice Lush in the Divisional Court. His Lordship adjourned the case provisionally to April 7th.

COMPANY MEETING. HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

The fifty-fifth ordinary general meeting of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., was held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., yesterday. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard presided and there were also present—Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. H. P. White, Mr. C. Bernard Brown, and Mr. A. S. Gubbay (Consulting Committee), Mr. F. C. Hall (Secretary) and the following shareholders—The Hon. Mr. Chau Siu-ki, Messrs. A. Denison, Ho Leung, D. V. Stevenson, J. Arnold, W. E. L. Shenton, Felix M. Ellis, N. V. A. Croucher, R. L. Bridger, G. V. Osmund, A. H. M. da Silva and G. Savard Remedios.

The Chairman, said: Gentlemen—The report and accounts having now been in your hands for some days, I propose, with your permission, to follow the usual procedure of taking them as read. It is a matter of great satisfaction to your General Managers and Consulting Committee that the account for the year 1923, which they now present, should again constitute a record, the credit balance exceeding that for the year 1921 by the sum of \$2,600,30. Premium income and interest show increases of approximately \$40,000 and \$19,000 respectively, and these increases are in spite of the higher rate of exchange, of rather more than one penny, at which the account for 1922 is shown. The ratios for losses and expenses work out at 31.06 per cent, and 33.55 per cent, respectively, as against 28.31 per cent, and 33.03 per cent, for the year 1922. The balance at credit of the working account for 1923 is \$515,163.21, or \$116,000 less than the carry-forward for 1922 after twelve months' working. In considering this account, it must be remembered that 1922 proved a record year in every way, but previous to that year the carry-forward for 1923 has only twice been exceeded. It is early yet to hazard any opinion as to the ultimate result, but at present we see no reason why this account should not be in line with its immediate predecessors. The surplus now to be dealt with is \$633,749.89. We recommend the payment of a dividend of 35 per cent, amounting to \$222,000; the appropriation of \$200,000 to the Reserve; and the balance of \$153,749.89 at 2 1/2% = \$3,843.75, to be placed to the credit of Reinsurance Fund. The Reserve Fund will then stand at \$2,000,000 and the Reinsurance Fund at \$188,820.05. The Investment and Exchange Fluctuation Account again shows an increase of approximately \$193,000; this is due to the further appreciation in the value of securities held by the Company. You will, I trust, approve of the usual bonus of 15 per cent on their salaries being granted to the staff.

Five losses in the Far East during the period under review have not been numerous or severe, but you will, perhaps, wish me to say a few words with regard to the effect upon the Company of the two disasters in our local field last year, viz., the earthquake in Japan in September and the typhoon in Hongkong in the 18th August. In connection with the former, we only had one claim against small insurance in Yokohama against the risk of fire arising from earthquake, and as subsequent investigations have revealed that the insured property withstood the shocks but was ultimately destroyed by fire, liability for the loss was admitted and settlement authorised. Liability for loss or damage from both earthquake shock and from fire arising from earthquake is expressly excluded from the risks covered under the universal policy conditions adopted by all the leading British and foreign offices, and these two risks can only be covered at an additional premium, which in Japan is exceptionally heavy. Consequently, only an infinitesimal proportion of the owners of destroyed properties in Yokohama and Tokyo had protected themselves against loss from either of these causes, so that the liability of the various Insurance Companies under their ordinary fire policies is not under special "earthquake" policies, it must also be comparatively trifling. As regards the Hongkong typhoon, although the volume of the Company's insurances against typhoon risks has shown a steady increase in recent years, I am glad to be able to state that, in spite of our being substantially interested by insurance on much of the property which suffered damage, the loss proved considerably less than we had at first anticipated and was no more than the Company might normally expect to bear in a calamity of this nature. After the resolution which I am about to propose, has been seconded, I shall be pleased to answer, to the best of my ability, any questions arising out of the accounts which shareholders may wish to ask. I now propose the following resolution:—"That the Directors and Accounts as presented including the payment of a dividend of 35 per cent, an addition to the Reserve Fund of \$200,000, the transfer of \$153,749.89 to the credit of Reinsurance Fund, and the payment to the staff of 15 per cent upon their salaries, be adopted and passed."

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Denison and agreed to without discussion.

OTHER BUSINESS.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. CHAU SIU-KI, seconded by Mr. STEVENSON, the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Sir Robert Ho Tung, and Messrs. C. Bernard Brown, A. J. Compton, A. S. Gubbay, T. E. Pearce and H. P. White were re-elected the Consulting Committee.

Mr. H. Percival Smith and the Hon. Mr. A. R. Lowe were re-elected auditors at a remuneration of \$750 each, on the motion of Mr. HO LEUNG, seconded by Mr. ARNOLD.

This was all the business, the Chairman announcing that dividend warrants could be had on application.

SPORT. TENNIS.

NG SZE KWONG IN THE FOURTH ROUND.

Ng Sze Kwong decisively defeated N. Trambitsky yesterday in the Open Championship, Singles, by three straight sets. Trambitsky was obviously suffering from "nerves," which affected his play considerably. Ng Sze Kwong now goes into the fourth round and has to play T. Honda. This game should be one of the best of the tournament.

In the race for honours S. E. and D. S. Green are the first to reach the semi-final stage of any of the competitions in the tournament. Yesterday they beat C. C. Stark and J. D. Humphreys by two straight sets in the Handicap Doubles.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

OPEN SINGLES.—D. J. Allfree beat Hung Hui Chang, 6-1, 1-6, 6-3, 2-6, 7-5; Ng Sze Kwong beat N. Trambitsky, 6-1, 6-2, 6-1.

HANDICAP DOUBLES.—S. E. and D. S. Green (—1/6) beat C. C. Stark and A. D. Humphreys (—2/6), 6-3, 6-4.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

OPEN SINGLES.—H. D. v. A. A. Rumbahn.

OPEN DOUBLES.—Ho Wei Hing and Ho Ka Lau v. H. Owen Hughes and G. R. More; S. A. and H. H. Rumbahn v. N. Trambitsky and H. Krebs.

HANDICAP SINGLES "A."—D. J. Allfree (—2/6) v. R. M. Henderson (—5/6); W. B. Cornaby (—5/6) v. R. E. Worthington (—15/3); A. Leach (—15/3) v. W. L. Thomas (—15/3).

HANDICAP SINGLES "B."—G. D. Jillings (—2/6) v. Fowler (—3/6).

HANDICAP DOUBLES.—G. Sewell and C. Baker (—1/6) v. F. A. Redmond and M. Roffey (—2/6); A. B. Raworth and M. Maas (—3/6) v. D. Burlingham and C. G. Purdie.

OPEN BILLIARDS CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE COLONY.

K. K. LEUNG BEATS MAJOR GANDY.

The contest for the Open Billiards Championship of the Colony was advanced a stage further last night when K. K. Leung defeated Major Gandy by 113 points in a game of 800 up. The highest breaks were: K. K. Leung, 69, 34, 21, 24, 33, 23, 23, 30, 25, 21, 45; Major Gandy, 20, 33, 21, 20, 23, 25.

FOOTBALL.

KOWLOON F.C. v. H.M.S. "AMBROSE."

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon F.C. in their 1st division match v. H.M.S. *Ambrose* at Kowloon, on Saturday, kick-off at 4.30 p.m.—A. Duncan; F. Wheeler and T. L. Knight; A. Turner, J. McKelvie and H. G. K. Wheeler; A. Latham, K. Mason, H. Roberts, R. H. Latham, G. Walls. Reserves: M. Howarth, S. G. Hays and J. Morton.

YACHTING.

Next Saturday the Warren Memorial and Bellies Cup will be sailed for by the Racing Yachts of the Club and at the same time the race for the Constellation Cup will be sailed off. On Sunday the La Cigale and Niobe Cups will be competed for by the cruisers.

MACAO NOTES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

THE RACE COURSE.

The promoters of this project signed the agreement with the Macao Government on Tuesday, March 25th, for an exclusive concession to conduct race meetings in Macao during a period of thirty years. The signatories were Mr. Ku Ho Chun and Mr. Lo Lim Yuk, attorney for Mr. Wong Wo Ching. The Company, which paid a deposit of \$10,000 to the Macao Government, is formed of Portuguese and Chinese millionaires from Shanghai. All the promoters are citizens of the Portuguese Republic.

Rules and Regulations of the Association will be furnished within three months. The Association will conduct on the site of the Race Course, a restaurant as well as a social club. Three small meetings and one big meeting will be held each year.

It is expected that the first meeting will be conducted within a year.

A NEW HOTEL.

In conjunction with the Race Course scheme, a syndicate of Chinese, with the assistance of Mr. L. P. de V. Soares of Hongkong, will construct a modern hotel to be run for the convenience of guests who will be expected in great numbers when the race meetings commence.

TOBACCO AND WINE DUTIES.

The Legislative and Executive Councils have passed the new schedule of taxes on Tobacco and Wine. The new duties are about twenty-five per cent. of the duties being levied on similar goods in Hongkong.

EXCLUSIVE MONOPOLIES' DEPARTMENT.

Under the Treasury a new sub-department is created to control all the products for which exclusive monopolies are granted in Macao. At present the importation of the various monopolies is under the control of different departments. The new sub-department will be under the control of the Superintendent of Exclusive Monopolies.

The commodities to come under the administration of this sub-department are: Opium, spirits and wines, arms and ammunition, dynamite and gun-power, perfumery, petroleum, and tobacco of foreign origin.

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L1343	MEYERSON TRIO	"
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, 20, Des Voeux Road Central, on SATURDAY, 29th of MARCH, 1924, at 11 A.M.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 15th of March to 25th of March, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1924. [486]

DIA DA BOA IMPRENSA.

FUNÇÃO religiosa na Catedral às 8.30 e 10.00 horas.
Academia Literária—musical no Club Lusitano às 17 horas. [558]

SALE OF R.I.M.S. "HARDINGE" AND "NORTHBROOK."

SEALED TENDERS will be received in India by the Director of the Royal Indian Marine, Bombay, in England by the Secretary of State for India, London, and in the Far East by the Commodore, H.M. Dockyard, Hongkong, up to 30th APRIL, 1924, for the purchase of the Royal Indian Marine Troopships "HARDINGE" and "NORTHBROOK," with all Stores and Fittings that are on board on that date, lying at their moorings in Bombay Harbour.

PARTICULARS OF R.I.M.S.

"HARDINGE"

About 5,407 tons gross and 3,000 tons registered.
Built under supervision of Naval Architect and Engineer to Secretary of State for India by Messrs. FAIRFIELD ENGINEERING AND SHIPBUILDING CO., Scotland, in 1900.
Twin Screw Triple Expansion Engines by Messrs. FAIRFIELD ENGINEERING CO. H.P. Cylinder 24-inch diameter, M.P. Cylinder 40-inch diameter, L.P. Cylinder 72-inch diameter, Stroke 48-inch. Trial I.H.P. 9,240; Trial S.P. 19 knots; 4 Double ended and One Single ended Cylindrical Boilers. Designed Water Pressure Test 180 lbs. Bunker Capacity about 1,200 tons. Water Ballast about 600 tons. Fresh Water about 170 tons. 24 Officers' Cabins; 50 1st class Berths, 12nd class Berths; Troop Accommodation 1,000 British or 1,500 Indian. Capacity of hold about 7,200 cubic feet. Height between Decks 8 feet. Dimensions about 425 feet by 61 feet by 38 feet 11 inches. Vessel was extensively refitted in 1920-1921 and fitted with New Boilers in England in 1922.

PARTICULARS OF R.I.M.S.

"NORTHBROOK"

About 5,407 tons gross and 2,971 tons registered.
Built at Clydebank, Scotland, in 1906, by Messrs. JOHN BROWN & CO., LTD., and under supervision of Naval Architect and Engineer to Secretary of State for India by Messrs. JOHN BROWN & CO., LTD.
Twin Screw Triple Expansion Engines by Messrs. JOHN BROWN & CO., LTD.
Trial I.H.P. 7,000; Trial S.P. 16 knots; 2 Double ended and 2 Single ended Cylindrical Return Tube Boilers. Designed Water Pressure Test 180 lbs. Bunker Capacity about 900 tons. Water Ballast about 650 tons. Fresh Water about 150 tons. 30 Officers' Cabins; 40 1st class Berths; Troop Accommodation 658 British or 710 Indian. Capacity of hold about 27,000 cubic feet. Height between Decks 8 feet. Dimensions about 474 feet by 62 feet 6 inches by 39 feet. Vessel was extensively refitted in 1920 and Boilers refitted in 1921.

The above Vessels were put out of Commission in April 1921, and at that time were in good Repair and Running Order, having been kept in high state of efficiency to that date. They are suitable for conversion to Passenger and Emigrant Trading.

Each Tender must be accompanied by a Remittance of 10% of the amount of the Tender which will be returned to unsuccessful Tenderers. If the 10% is not with Tender it will not be considered.

The Purchasers or their Representatives must remove the Vessels from the Government's moorings at their own expense and risk within 2 Calendar Months from Date of Acceptance of Tender. Pending such removal, vessels will remain at moorings at risk of Purchasers.

The Balance of the Purchase Money must be paid by the Successful Tenderer within One Calendar Month from Date of Acceptance of Tender and before Vessels are removed from moorings. If Balance is not paid and Vessels are not removed by Purchasers or their Representatives within the time specified, the Deposit of 10% accompanying Tender will be liable to forfeiture for the benefit of the Crown and Vessels will be Resold.

The Director of the Royal Indian Marine does not bind himself to accept the highest or any Tender.

Applications to view the Vessel may be made to the Commander of the Yard, Royal Indian Marine Dockyard, Bombay, and further particulars may be obtained from the Director of the Royal Indian Marine.

"EDWARD HEADLAM,"

Captain, R.I.M.

Director of R.I.M. Dockyard, Bombay.

March, 1924. [540]

S.S. "CAPITAINE FAURE"

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CONSIGNEES of Cargo from LONDON, MANCHESTER, ANTWERP &c., in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong-Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless attention is received from the Consignees before Noon, To-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriter, Goods remaining unclaimed after the 2nd April, 1924, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before 7th April, 1924, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on Wednesday, the 2nd April, 1924, at 10 A.M., by Messrs. Godard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

B. RODENFOSER,

Acting Agent.

Hongkong 27th March, 1924. [543]

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Hongkong, 25th March, 1924. [542]

ASSOCIATION OF EXPORTERS AND DEALERS OF HONGKONG

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the ASSOCIATION OF EXPORTERS AND DEALERS OF HONGKONG will be held on FRIDAY, MARCH 29th, 1924, at 4 o'clock precisely, in the Chamber Room, CHARTERED BANK BUILDING, for the following purposes:—

1. To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for year ended 31st December, 1923.
2. To elect a New Committee.
3. To transact any General Business.

By Order,
D. K. BLAIR, Secretary.

Hongkong, 29th March, 1924. [547]

BILLIARDS.

HO KONG TONG CUPS.

THE ENTIRE for the HO KONG TONG'S BILLIARD HANDICAP to be held at the PALACE HOTEL, has been POSTPONED until 9th JULY, 1924, to enable the Championship Competitions to be completed. [553]

PUBLIC DINNER

TO

SIR WILLIAM REES DAVIES, K.C.

IT is proposed that a DINNER should be given by the FOREIGN COMMUNITY in honour of the Departing CHIEF JUSTICE at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on SATURDAY, 12th APRIL, at 8 P.M.

Gentlemen wishing to be present should notify on or before 30th APRIL, their intention to COULSON, ROBERTSON, HONGKONG CHINA, who will supply all Particulars.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1924. [542]

CAN Thoroughly Recommend Good Baby

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Mrs. J. H. SCOTT,

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NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE Office of the "HONGKONG DAILY

PRESS" have been removed to 1A

CHATER ROAD (3rd floor), to which Address

all Correspondence should be directed.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1923.

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1924 EDITION.

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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

EXTRA RACE MEETING 1924.

MEMBERS' SEASON TICKETS are Now Ready and may be obtained by those Members who have not already received them from Messrs. LINTHARD & DAVIS, Alexandra Buildings.

C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING

will be held (weather permitting) at

HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 29th

MARCH, 1924, commencing at 3 P.M.

The Charge for Admission to the Public

Enclosure will be \$1. Soldiers and Sailors in

Uniform, Half Price.

Members are advised that they must show

their Season Tickets to obtain Admission to the

Members' Enclosure.

Each Member has the right of introducing 2

Non-members to the Members' Enclosure.

Tickets for whom can be obtained from

Messrs. LINTHARD & DAVIS at \$5 each up to

FRIDAY, MARCH 29th.

The Stewards invite the Ladies of Hong-

kong to be present. [519]

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO.

THE FORTY-SIXTH ORDINARY

ANNUAL MEETING of the SHARE-

HOLDERS of the above Company will be

held at the Office of the General Agents,

FREDER STREET, on MONDAY, the 31st

MARCH, 1924, at 11.00 A.M., for the purpose

of receiving the Report and Statement of

Accounts for the Year ending 31st December,

1923.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from the 17th to

31st March, 1924, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,

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to the wife of ROBERT SCHLIZ, a son.

MARRIAGE.

SHIBRAS—PEARSON.—At Koke, on March

22nd, DOUGLAS S. G. SHIBRAS, to

LAURA MAI FRANCES, daughter of Mr.

A. E. PEARSON, Yokohama.

DEATH.

FINLAYSON.—At Sydney, N. S. Wales, on

December 25th, 1923, EDWARD FIN-

LAYSON, Master Mariner (B. & S.),

retired.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 28th, 1924.

WIRELESS STATION FOR THE

PRATAS.

The public references recently made to

the need of a wireless and meteorological

installation on the Pratas Shoal indicate

that, at last, something is likely to be

done to supply this important need. For

more than twenty years—certainly ever

since the great typhoon of 1906, the

shipping interests, the Chamber of

Commerce and the Colonial Government

have in turn pressed the consideration

of this subject upon the Chinese Govern-

ment which owns the atoll. For many

years before the Typhoon of 1906 the

Pratas Shoal had been regarded as a

sort of no man's land. It lies about

170 miles S.E. of Hongkong and is chiefly

notorious for its danger to shipping.

Some Japanese, many years ago, dis-

covered that valuable phosphate deposits

were there and they exploited them for

many seasons before the Chinese Govern-

CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

M. POINCARÉ'S RESIGNATION
BELIEF THAT HE WILL RESUME
OFFICE.

PARIS, March 26th.

The vote in the Chamber was most unexpected, there being only 100 members present.

Premier Poincaré, who was in an adjacent room delivering a statement before the Foreign Affairs Committee as regards the Treaty of Euphrates, apparently did not think that his attendance in the Chamber was necessary.

The Pensions Bill was voted by the Chamber at the end of 1923, and by the Senate in February last, but the Senate adopted the Government's recommendations reducing the pensions of workers on the ground of economy. This aroused the Opposition parties of the Left, who are championing the cause of the workers. The Government insisted upon acceptance of the Senate's amendment, and the Opposition introduced a motion referring the Bill to committee with a view to revision.

The Government were defeated on the vote on this motion, the Chamber's voting system permitting votes being cast on behalf of absentee Deputies.

VOTE ON PENSIONS BILL.

LATER.

The vote was on an Opposition motion for referring the Pensions Bill back to the Finance Committee with a view to conciliating the views of the Senate and the Chamber. The Government opposed reference to the Committee on the ground of urgency.

M. Lasterie made the question one of confidence in the Government.

Upon the announcement of the figures, 271 votes to 264, the Chamber adjourned.

Premier Poincaré was not present at the sitting.

It is expected that President Millerand will ask M. Poincaré to reconstitute the Cabinet.

PREMIER AND PRESIDENT.

LATER.

A communiqué states that President Millerand strongly urged M. Poincaré to present himself again in the Chamber and the Senate this afternoon in order to receive another vote, but M. Poincaré flatly refused.

M. Barthou to form Cabinet?

M. Poincaré, who left the Elysée smiling, told the journalists that he had finally and irrevocably decided not to remain in power.

It is now expected that President Millerand will call on M. Barthou to form a Cabinet.

SURPRISE AND REGRET IN
LONDON.

LONDON, March 26th.

Premier Poincaré's resignation created surprise and a degree of regret in official circles in London on account of the excellence of the relations growing out of the recent exchange of Notes by the two Premiers. The atmosphere thus created is not likely to be entirely dissipated by the advent of a new Government, but it is felt that a Government led by M. Barthou is likely to form, with M. Poincaré in opposition, would be less stable than a moderate Left Ministry headed by M. Poincaré.

M. MILLERAND INSISTENT.

PARIS, March 26th.

Urged by President Millerand to form a new Ministry, M. Poincaré asked for time to consider, and he promised to reply to-morrow.

It is practically certain that M. Poincaré will resume the Premiership.

MINISTERS' HASTY MEETING.

PARIS, March 26th.

After the vote, M. Poincaré and the other Ministers hastily met in a side room of the Chamber and decided to proceed to the Elysée in a body. They lost no time after the result of the vote was announced at noon, and Premier Poincaré tendered his resignation to President Millerand at 12.15.

The Cabinet, under the presidency of President Millerand, sat till 1.15, when it was announced that Premier Poincaré's resignation had been accepted.

IF POINCARÉ REFUSES.

PARIS, March 26th.

M. Poincaré was interviewed by the Presidents and members of the Senate and the Chamber last night. It is believed that he will accept the task of forming a new Cabinet. It is stated that in the event of a refusal, M. Millerand is determined to accept only a Cabinet which will adopt a foreign and domestic policy identical with M. Poincaré's.

BOURSE UNAFFECTED.

LATER.

The resignation of the Cabinet has had no impression whatever upon the Bourse.

LATEST CABLES.
SHIPBUILDING LOCKOUT.100,000 BRITISH WORKERS
AFFECTED.

LONDON, March 26th.

The shipbuilding employers have decided on a national lock-out in the shipyards, affecting 100,000 men, as the striking engineers at Southampton refused to resume work pending a discussion with a view to a settlement.

The shipbuilding employers have agreed to withhold the announcement of the date of the lock-out until April 1st, to enable the men's Unions to make another attempt to induce the striking Southampton engineers to resume work.

LONDON LOAN ISSUE.

CITY OF AMSTERDAM LOAN.

LONDON, March 26th.

The issue has been arranged in London of a City of Amsterdam loan of three million sterling at 5 per cent. price below par, with fifty years currency, redeemable in annual drawings at par with borrowers' option to redeem wholly or partly after ten years.

DISASTROUS CLOUD BURST.

ONE HUNDRED FATALITIES.

ROME, March 26th.

About one hundred people were killed as the result of a cloudburst, and landslide at Amalfi.

All tourists are believed to be safe. Houses, vineyards and olive plantations were carried away and a number of fishing boats sunk.

[Amalfi is a tourist resort with a population of 8,000, situated on the Gulf of Salerno in the province of Campania, Italy, and chiefly noted for its old walls and bastions.]

EARLIER CABLES.

ALLIES' MILITARY CONTROL
IN GERMANY.

LONDON, March 26th.

In the House of Commons, replying to Sir F. Hall, Mr. Arthur Ponsonby, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, said the Allies proposed to resume military control of Germany, to which they were entitled by the Treaty of Versailles. Negotiations were at present in progress with the German Government with regard to future proceedings in the matter of the arrest of Herr Quide.

BRITISH WORLD FLIGHT.
SQUADRON LEADER MACLAREN
REACHES LYONS.

HAVRE, March 26th.

Squadron Leader MacLaren again started for Lyons at eleven o'clock this morning. Squadron Leader MacLaren's flying-boat Vulture has arrived at Lyons.

Lyons, March 26th.
Squadron Leader MacLaren has left for Rome.

LINCOLN HANDICAP RESULT.
OUTSIDERS RUN SECOND AND
THIRD.

LONDON, March 26th.

The result of the Lincolnshire handicap was as follows:

Sir Galahad III. 1
Evanter 2
Grave Fairy 3

There were 27 runners. The winner won by three lengths, with two lengths separating second and third.

The betting was as follows:—9 to 2 agst. Sir Galahad; 100 to 7 agst. Evanter; and 40 to 1 agst. Grave Fairy.

The place betting was 6 to 4 agst. Sir Galahad, and proportionate odds against the others.

LATEST CABLES.

HOME FOOTBALL.

LONDON, March 26th.

In the Scottish League Aldrie and Queen's Park played a drawn game with two goals each. Hamilton defeated Falkirk by two goals to one.

In the Scottish Cup semi-final replay at Glasgow Aberdeen and Hibernian played a goalless draw.

OBITUARY.

FAMOUS ORGANIST DEAD.

LONDON, March 26th.

The death is announced of Sir Walter Parratt.

[Sir Walter Parratt, K.C.V.O., one of the greatest men in the British musical world, was born on the 10th of February, 1841. He was educated at the College School, Huddersfield, and privately. His musical talents were marked in him at an early age, and from the outset of his young manhood he made rapid progress in his art. He was organist, successively, of Armitage Bridge Church, Great Witley Church, Wigan Parish Church, and later of Magdalen College, Oxford. A big step in advancement was made when he was appointed Organist at St. George's Chapel, Royal Windsor. Sir Walter, who was knighted in 1902, was a Past Grand Organist of the Freemasons. He was Mus. Doc. (Hon.) R.A.M.; Honorary Fellow of Magdalen College, Oxford; Hon. Mus. Doc., Oxford, Cambridge and Durham, and a member of the Associated Board of the Royal Academy and the Royal College of Music. From 1908 to 1918 he held the post of Professor of Music at Oxford University. Among his publications is an article on Music in Wordsworth's "Life of Queen Victoria." Sir Walter, who was a member of the Athenaeum Club, was a great chess-player, and for two years captained the Oxford eight chosen to play against Cambridge.]

LATEST CABLES.
[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]
WORLD CHESS TOURNAMENT.

New York, March 26th.

In the eighth round of the chess tournament, Capablanca drew with Maroczy.

LATER.

Tartakower and Edward Lasker drew. Alekhine defeated Reti.

DOCTOR LASKER SECOND.

LATER.

By defeating Reti, Alekhine ousted Doctor Lasker from the first position in the World's Chess Tournament. Doctor Lasker is now second. Reti and Tartakower tie for third place.

EARLIER CABLES.

SOVIET RECOGNIZED BY
CANADA.BEST INTERESTS OF BOTH
COUNTRIES.

OTTAWA, March 27th.

Replying to M. Yaskoff, head of the Soviet trade delegation in Canada, who enquired whether Britain's recognition of the Soviet Republics comprehended Canada, the Premier, Mr. MacKenzie King, has written stating in the best interests of both countries Canada is prepared to recognise the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

HONDURAS REVOLT.

RIVAL REVOLUTIONARY CHIEFS
COMBINE.

WASHINGTON, March 26th.

The rival revolutionary leaders in Honduras have combined to re-establish order, and have agreed to the issue of a proclamation making General Dapilla provisional President.

The elections will be held soon.

TIRED OF PROHIBITION?
CONGRESS ASKED TO ALLOW THE
SALE OF BEER.

ALBANY, March 26th.

New York State Senate, by 27 votes to 20, passed a resolution to memorialise Congress, urging the amendment of the Prohibition Act so as to legalise the sale of wine and beer.

All the Democrats, except one absentee, and two Republicans, voted in favour of the resolution.

APPOINTMENT DECLINED.

HUNGARY, March 26th.

Mr. Harding, former President of the United States Federal Reserve Board, has declined the offer of appointment as League of Nations Commissioner for Hungary in connection with the reconstruction loan.

THE TOMB OF TUT.
AT THE BRITISH EMPIRE
EXHIBITION.

In a long, carefully guarded room off Tottenham Court Road, London, the last resting place of Tut-Ankh-Amen has been reproduced so faithfully that the smallest hieroglyphics on the dead King's clothes' chest can be read by Egyptologists.

This remarkable reproduction, which is the size of the original tomb at Luxor, has been constructed by experts for display at the British Empire Exhibition at Wembley. It has been superintended by Mr. Arthur Weigall, who was present at the opening of the tomb, and carried out by Mr. Anson, the well-known architectural sculptor, whose stone carvings adorn many of the finest buildings in London.

Wonderful chariots of iron and ebony, four-ome decorated lions and cows, golden chariots, chests, armed black slaves, guard the entrance to the shrine—all these have been faithfully copied for the Exhibition.

The tomb will have three chambers, each the exact size of the original. In an ante-room will be the golden couches, the chests and the chariot wheels, just as they were found in the Luxor tomb; and at the entrance will be the two black guardians of the inner shrine.

The shrine itself is 20 feet wide, 10 feet long, and 10 feet 6 inches deep. As fresh discoveries are made during the progress of excavations at Luxor, they will be reproduced and placed in this tomb at Wembley.

The third chamber at Luxor, the Treasury House, has not yet been opened. It will be left empty in the first place, but all its contents will be faithfully reproduced as soon as they are known.

One of the most remarkable objects in the "tomb" is the King's "tailor's dummy." To save himself the trouble of being frequently measured and fitted for his clothes, Tut-Ankh-Amen had a reproduction of himself made, from the chest measurements, on which his clothes fitted all his new clothes. This dummy, which has been carved out of solid wood, has been reproduced even to the pin-holes made by the fitters.

The great golden lions that form the king's couch are covered with beaten gold leaf. The immense alabaster perfume vessels from the tomb, the chest of ivory, ebony and gold, the food boxes with all in the tomb at Wembley exactly as they were found in Egypt.

The reproduction of the Tomb has taken eight months to prepare, and it is not yet completed. Excavations under the ground at Wembley have been completed, and the walls of the shrine will soon be erected under the earth. In April visitors will be able to walk into the depths of the tomb and read the strange hieroglyphics that surrounded the King in his chamber of death.

FAR EASTERN CABLE
NEWS.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

SHANGHAI NEWSPAPER OFFICE
ON FIRE.STILL BURNING AT A LATE HOUR
LAST NIGHT.

SHANGHAI, March 27th.

Fire broke out at the offices of the Shanghai Times at seven o'clock this evening. A telegram handed in to the Shanghai Telegraph Office by our correspondent at 8.40 p.m. stated that it was still burning.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CHINESE MARCONI LOAN.

REPEATED DEMANDS FOR UNPAID
INTEREST.

LONDON, March 26th.

Mr. C. Harmsworth drew attention to the fact that the British holders of the Chinese Marconi Loan had not received interest since August, 1921, and he suggested pressure upon the Chinese Government in the matter.

Mr. Ponsonby, Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, replied that the default had been the subject of repeated representations to China.

ACTION IN KING'S BENCH.

LONDON, Later.

In the King's Bench action between Mr. James A. Malcolm against the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company for commission in connection with the proposed wireless telegraph supplies to China, Mr. Justice Atton decided that the defendants succeeded with costs contingent upon payment to plaintiff of commission on £88,000 when received from the Chinese Government.

Mr. Malcolm, with Mr. Birchall, now deceased, obtained the sole agency for China from the Marconi Company, who undertook to pay five per cent. commission on all business done by themselves with the Chinese Government.

Mr. Malcolm claimed commission on three contracts, and alternatively claimed damages on the ground that the third contract between the defendants and the Chinese Government was a breach of contract giving Mr. Malcolm the sole agency in China.

The Marconi Company admitted that commission was payable under the first contract, but denied that it was payable under the two later contracts, and alleged breach of agreement if any had been waived by the plaintiff.

PIRACY IN CHINESE WATERS.

LADY M.P. ASKS QUESTION IN
THE COMMONS.

LONDON, March 26th.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mrs. Philipson (who was formerly Mrs. Mabel Russell, the actress), Mr. C. G. Ammon, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, pointed out that vessels on the China station were continually patrolled by the object of checking piracy, but that a stricter supervision over passengers at a port of departure was the only effective preventive. He understood that Mr. Thomas, Secretary of State for the Colonies, was awaiting a report from the Governor of Hongkong on the subject.

SINGAPORE AGAIN.

QUEENSLAND PREMIER SPEAKS
IN LONDON.

LONDON, March 26th.

Mr. Theodore, Premier of Queensland, speaking at a dinner at the Knights of the Round Table, said if by delaying the commencement of work on the Singapore base some process could be carried through which would lead to greater amity among the nations, nobody could say that the delay was fatal. He realized that in the event of a clash in the Pacific, Australian interests might be affected, and they would be blind if they did not guard against the possibility of disaster. The policy of the British people, however, was not aggrandisement, but a desire to see the British race developed in its own conception of freedom. Japan and Australia were going to learn out in the future in the Pacific and it would be to the benefit of the world if they lived in amity. He thought the hope of the world lay in the League of Nations. Capt. Toyoda, Japanese Naval Attaché, was among the guests.

SIAMESE LOAN.

LONDON, March 26th.

It is understood that the new issue of the Siam Government Loan of £3,000,000, bearing interest at 6 per cent. at the price of 95, will appear on Friday.

The subscription list for the Siam Loan opens to-day.

The Siam loan has been closed.

AHEAD OF THE MAIL.

[FROM INDIAN PAPERS.]

INCOME TAX FRAUD.

LONDON, March 26th.

A diamond merchant, Samuel Henry Harris, of Hutton Garden, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the second division and a fine of £5,000 and payment of costs at the Old Bailey for making false income tax returns. Prosecuting counsel stated that Harris confessed in December, 1921, he made false returns and understated his profits for five years by £16,430 whereon £4,340 income tax should have been paid. He paid £3,000 to cover this. Investigation showed further concealed profits of £51,200, the loss to revenue totalling £59,892, of which Harris had since paid £30,000.

Mr. Justice Shearman in giving judgment observed that the system whereby Harris, when he sold diamonds and pearls, returned no profit because, until the whole stock was sold, he was not certain whether there was going to be a profit, was obviously fraudulent. The practice was stated to be not unknown in the commercial world. It must disappear, the sooner the better.

INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC.

LONDON, March 24th.

The severe variable weather conditions all over the country, with rain, snow and Arctic winds are doubtless largely responsible for the seriousness of the present influenza epidemic, which is overwhelming the doctors. One prominent doctor said: "I am being simply run off my legs." Although the present outbreak is comparatively mild, in nowise comparable in deadly effect with that experienced a few years ago, one London doctor said the number of victims is rapidly approaching the figures of 1918 so far as his own general practice was concerned. A number of City firms are suffering badly, with thirty per cent. of their staffs away. Government offices are not free, the Ministry of Pensions having hundreds away.

LIVERHOLME ESTATES.

LONDON, March 26th.

Apathy of buyers at the auction yesterday afternoon resulted in the withdrawal of all lots except Galson Park, which fetched £200, or twopenny-halfpenny an acre, embracing extensive fishing and shooting rights.

EX-IMMIGRATION OFFICER FOUND
GUILTY.

LONDON, March 26th.

Andrew Mitchell, formerly Immigration Officer to the Government of Prince Edward Island, who was charged with false pretences, appeared at the London Sessions to-day and pleaded not guilty. He declared that he had no similar deal with ex-officers receiving a total sum of £5,000 as payment. He had an option on the land in question. The defence stated that Mitchell did not represent to the prosecutors that the land he was selling was Government land. The charge in politics in Prince Edward Island had wrecked the whole scheme.

Mitchell was found guilty, but sentence was postponed. The Chairman hoped that the Government of Prince Edward Island would be able to help in repaying the money lost by the three prosecutors.

THE LEGITIMACY BILL.

LONDON, March 27th.

After an energetic discussion to-day, the House of Lords, by 54 votes to 18, passed the amendment moved by the Archbishop of Canterbury, excluding from the benefit of Lord Buckmaster's Legitimacy Bill children born when either parent was married to a third person. The bill was passed through committee.

ARMY ACCOUNTING.

LONDON, March 26th.

Sweeping changes are advocated in the report of the Committee presided over by Sir Herbert Lawrence on the administration and accounting for Army expenditure. The Committee declares that a proper system of accounting which is necessary to the efficiency of the Army has been wanting in the past and urged a complete change of system in administration from the War Office downwards and the decentralisation of accounting as far as individual establishments and regimental units, also the amalgamation of the Royal Army Pay Corps and Corps of Military Accountants under the Adjutant General to the forces subject to Parliamentary requirements. The report considers that the most careful consideration we are of opinion it is essential to the proper development of administrative responsibility that decentralisation should be carried eventually to its ultimate point, namely, the regimental unit. It believes such increase of administrative responsibility would not interfere with training. The Committee is far from advocating unnecessary chicanery, but many scales of allowances cannot fail to be wasteful as they must be fixed high enough to cover maximum ordinary expenditure and therefore must be excessive in many cases.

SUMMER AND WINTER TIME.

LONDON, March 11th.

A Paris message says the representatives of Great Britain, France, Holland and Belgium discussed with the Ministry of Public Works the question of arranging a common date after 1924 for the operation of summer and winter time. It was decided that changes be made by night in the first Saturdays of April and October respectively, conditional on the change being made a week earlier if the first Saturday in April was Easter day.

THE MANILA FIRE.

ENTIRE ESCOLTA BLOCK WRAPPED
IN FLAMES.

The Manila Times says the damage caused by the fire which on the night of the 25th inst. enveloped the entire Escolta block where Hancock's, the Hamilton-Brown Shoe Store, the Hub and other concerns are situated is estimated at approximately P1,000,000. (The Mayor later estimated the loss at 1,500,000 pesos.) The blaze spread along Calles Escolta, Pimpin, Martinez, and David shortly after it started in a Chinese tienda in the rear of the Hamilton-Brown Store at 8.57 p.m. It was extinguished at 11.45 p.m.

Most of the loss was covered by insurance. The Hancock Company lost about P800,000, according to Samuel F. Gaches, president of the firm. It is insured for P2,000,000 with Lloyds of London. The building, owned by Dr. Burke, is also insured.

Loss of the Hamilton-Brown Shoe Store amounted to about P165,000, Mr. Seaver said. The business was insured for P90,000.

Several versions of the fire's origin were current and investigations are being made as to whether the blaze was of incendiary origin.

The latest police report stated:—

"No. 125, Escolta, is occupied by H. E. Hancock Co. The Manager, Mr. S. F. Gaches, stated that the contents and damage could not be estimated until an inventory is taken. The building is owned by Dr. Wm. Burke, of No. 46, Aviles. Valued at P800,000. Not insured. Damage not estimated. Rooms Nos. 45, 46, 47 and 48, 4th floor, were occupied by the International Correspondence School. Contents: books, furniture, etc., valued at P100,000. Totally destroyed. Insured for P200,000 with Smith, Bell & Co., Stevenson & Co., and Hunter Ker Co. Room No. 50, 3rd floor, is occupied by Braun and Rosedale Co. advertising agents for Commercial Art. Contents P50,000. Not insured. Damage by water estimated at P50.

"No. 123, Escolta, ground floor, is occupied by Hamilton Brown Shoe Co., Manager, Geo. H. Seaver. Contents P165,000. Totally destroyed. Insured for P200,000 by E. E. Elser Co. and others. The building is owned by Calvo Iruar, residence unknown, business address, Calvo Iruar Furniture Store, No. 134-35, T. Pimpin. Value of building not known. If insured or not, not known.

"No. 108, T. Pimpin, and 115, Escolta, is occupied by the Bargain Store. Manager, D. Estelin. Contents P100,000. Not insured. Damage by water about P10,000.

"No. 117-19, Escolta, is occupied by the Bazar La Union, ground floor, owned by Hanna Bejar & Co. Contents P70,000. Damage by fire and water P60,000. Insured for P25,000 with Warner, Barnes & Co., and Pacific Commercial Co.

"The building Nos. 115 to 117, Escolta, and from Nos. 110 to 113, T. Pimpin, is owned by the Philippine National Bank. Valued at P100,000. Insured for P90,000 by E. E. Elser & Co., National Exchange Co. and others. Damage to building is estimated at P80,000. The second floor is used by the Philippine National Bank as a hygea. Stationary and record books valued at P70,000 were totally destroyed. Not insured. One of the rooms upstairs is occupied by Dr. Edgar G. Lennhoff, of No. 150, Herran. Contents furniture, etc., valued at P15,000. Damage about P10,000. Insured for P25,000 in the name of Mr. Flood, who is now on his way to the United States.

"Nos. 110-12, T. Pimpin, is occupied by the Hub Tailoring Co., owned by Sanchez Salamanca, of No. 6, Provenir. Contents P20,000, insured for P15,000 by E. E. Elser & Co. Damage P10,000.

"Nos. 124-33, T. Pimpin, is occupied by a furniture store owned by Calvo Iruar. Damage by water only. Owners could not be located.

"No. 114-16, T. Pimpin, is occupied by Esther Furniture Store. Damaged by water only. Owner could not be located.

"Mr. E. W. Brown, Manager, Braun, Rosedale Co., of room No. 301, Hancock building, stated that shortly after the fire started he went to the above mentioned room and from there he saw the fire coming out from the rear part of the Hamilton Brown Shoe Store. Investigation will be continued."

LAWLESSNESS IN CHINA.

STATEMENT BY MR. RAMSAY
MACDONALD.

In the House of Commons last month Commander Bellairs

From 15th till 31st March

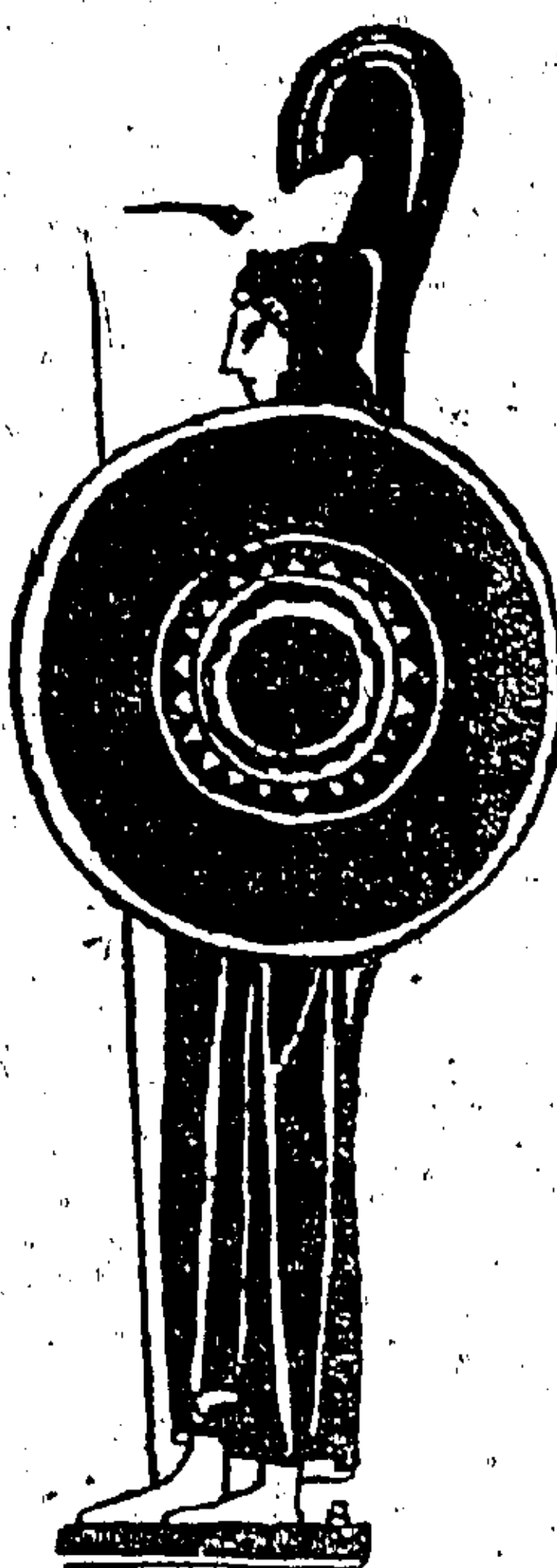
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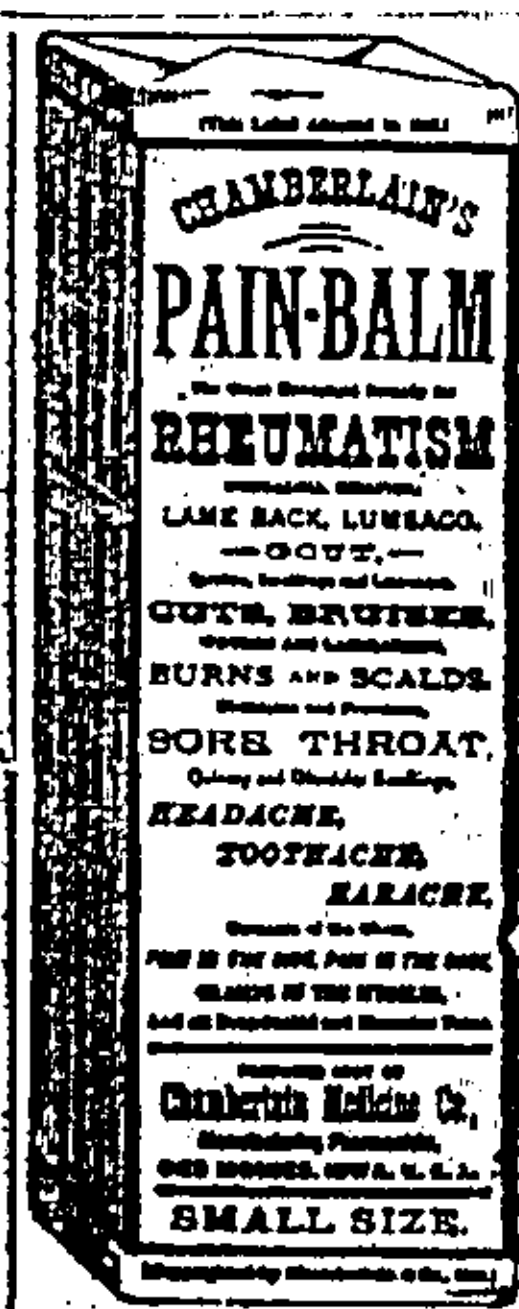
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PENSIONS FOR MOTHERS. A GOVERNMENT INQUIRY.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer stated in the House of Commons on February 20th, that the Government had instituted an inquiry into the question of the provision of pensions for mothers. It was hoped that as a result the Government would be able in due time, and with no unnecessary or undue delay, to have before them the details of a practical scheme. Mr. Snowden declared that he would be very much disappointed if they were not able to add to the record of their achievements a measure which would do justice to these deserving people whose claims ought to have been long ago recognized.

The question was raised by Mr. Dukes, the Labour member for Warrington, who called attention to the question of mothers' pensions, and moved that, in the opinion of the House, pensions adequate for the proper upbringing and maintenance of children should be paid to all widows with children or mothers whose breadwinners had become incapacitated, such pensions to be provided by the State and administered by a committee of the municipal or county council wholly unconnected with the Poor Law.

The motion was seconded by Mr. W. J. Baker, of Bristol, who said the reform was advocated because the Labour Party felt it was an essential measure for the well-being of the people.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer showed at the outset that he was sympathetically inclined towards the proposal. Whatever might be the length of the indictment of broken pledges, he said, it would not be possible to include this among the broken pledges of the Labour Government. They supported the proposal in Opposition and they supported it now. If the result were carried to a division, which he could hardly believe, the Government would go into the Lobby in support of it.

As Chancellor of the Exchequer Mr. Snowden had to pay regard to the financial aspect of the proposition. He pointed out that they were not dealing with a concrete proposal embodied in a Parliamentary Bill, but with a resolution that enigmatically a principle and it expressed a demand. With that the Government were in entire agreement. He dwelt on the difficulty of the position he occupied as Chancellor of the Exchequer. The miracle of the leaves and fishes was a comparatively trivial thing compared with what he was expected to accomplish. He drew attention to the expenditure to which the Government were committed by the increased outlay in connection with certain schemes of social reform and education. They were going to amend the Old Age Pension Act. That would take a considerable sum of money. The Ministry of Labour was quite certain that the Chancellor of the Exchequer would lend a sympathetic ear to all their not quite moderate demands. The same thing applied to the Ministry of Health. He was quite ready to do all he could to find financial provision for these schemes. If he had the money necessary would give him greater pleasure than to be able to include in the financial provision of next year the considerable sum which had been mentioned in regard to the proposal now made in regard to pensions. Mr. Snowden showed a degree of optimism as to his capacity to overcome many of the financial difficulties, but he requested time. Give us time, he pleaded, "to overhaul the national finances and put them into a sound condition, and then this will be one of the first measures to which I shall apply the resources which then will become available."

The Government accepted the principle, and having done that there was upon them the obligation to translate that principle into a practical legislative measure.

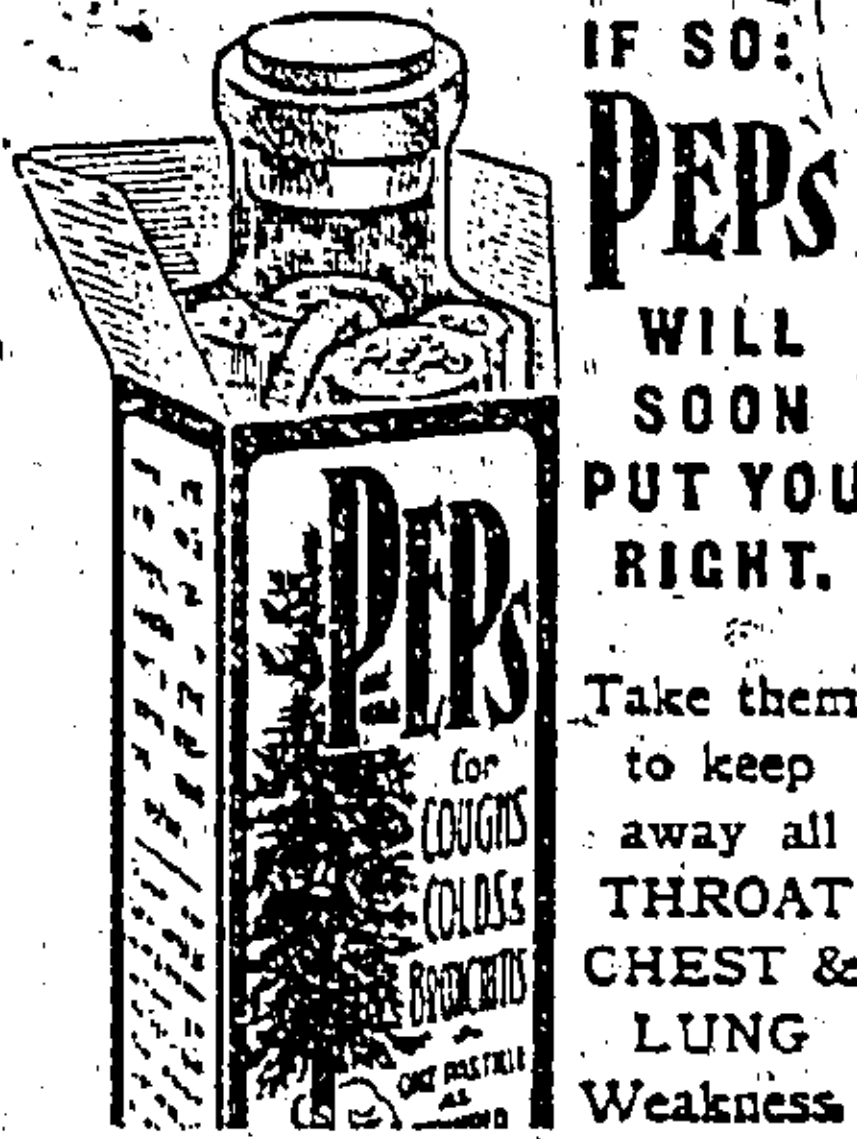
Mr. Edward Wood took the view of the Chancellor regarding the financial aspect of the proposal, but he stated that he approved of the principle underlying the resolution.

The motion was carried unanimously.

LOVE AND LAW.

Love and law have always been apt to quarrel. It is not surprising that a law so new, so subtle, so mathematical as that which the United States has devised for the restriction of immigration should offend the old, simple, and very human emotion of love. The ancient ballad which assures us of love's power to "find out a way" in spite of all the forces of Nature, can hardly give confidence of its victory in a battle against the unnatural, inexorable robots of Ellis Island. But there was a lover in America who defied to despair. He came from Portugal, and before he left the Lusitanian shore he had plighted his troth to a damsel of his own race. In the United States he thrived, and was able to make a home for his bride. But the immigration law intervened. All the Portuguese whom the immutable rule of the quota allowed had already been admitted to the land of the free. The door would not open for one maiden more, although she was fair as Helen or true as Thelma. If, indeed, she had been any relation of his, his sister or his cousin or his aunt, then, under the proviso that allows a man to import his dependent kinsfolk, he could have brought her in. But a betrothed is a creature unknown to the law of immigration. If the lady had been his wife, she would have been delivered to him without import duty. But his wife she could not be until he had married her. Love laughs at the locksmiths of the law. Our Portuguese again married by proxy, like the potentates of the past. Marriage by proxy, we hasten to add, is vain hopes he raised, is not legal in England. But it is in the more genial clime of Portugal, and what is more to the purpose, it is going to be in the United States. The heartless men who control immigration did not think so. They stopped the bride on the coast, and kept her in durance like a thousand-and-one distressed heroines of romance. The knight errant who delivered her was a Boston judge. Marriage by proxy, said he, is just as legal as any other sort of marriage. Under the Star-Spangled Banner any damsel married by proxy is a man's wife until by some other process he gets rid of her. Thus are the immigration laws brought to nought, and love triumphs, even if by proxy. We hope and believe that the Lusitanian household will always cherish the memory of the nominal bridegroom.—Daily Telegraph.

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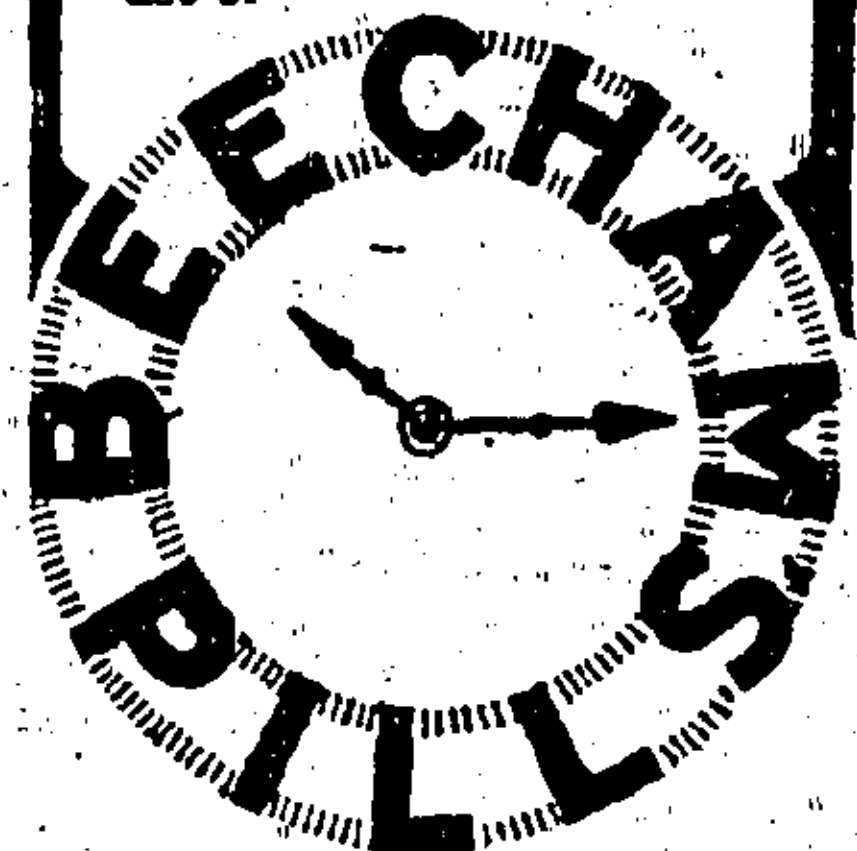
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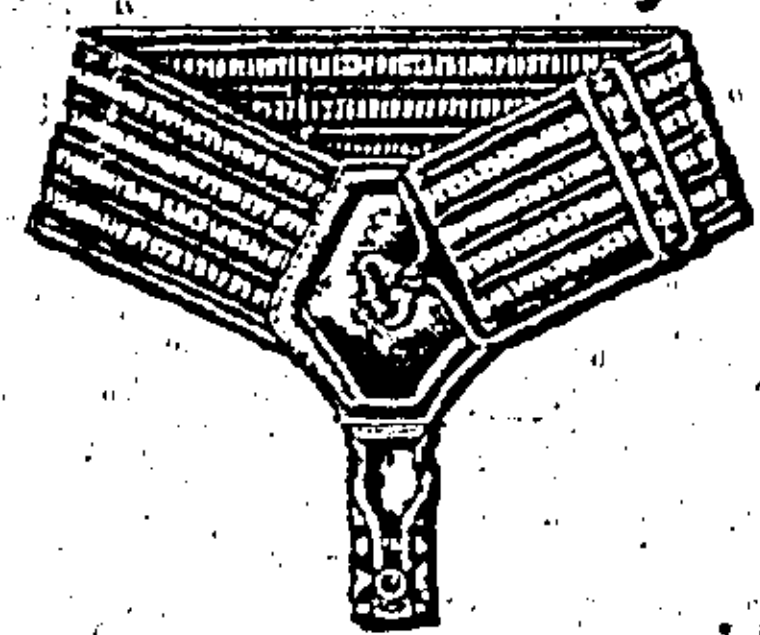
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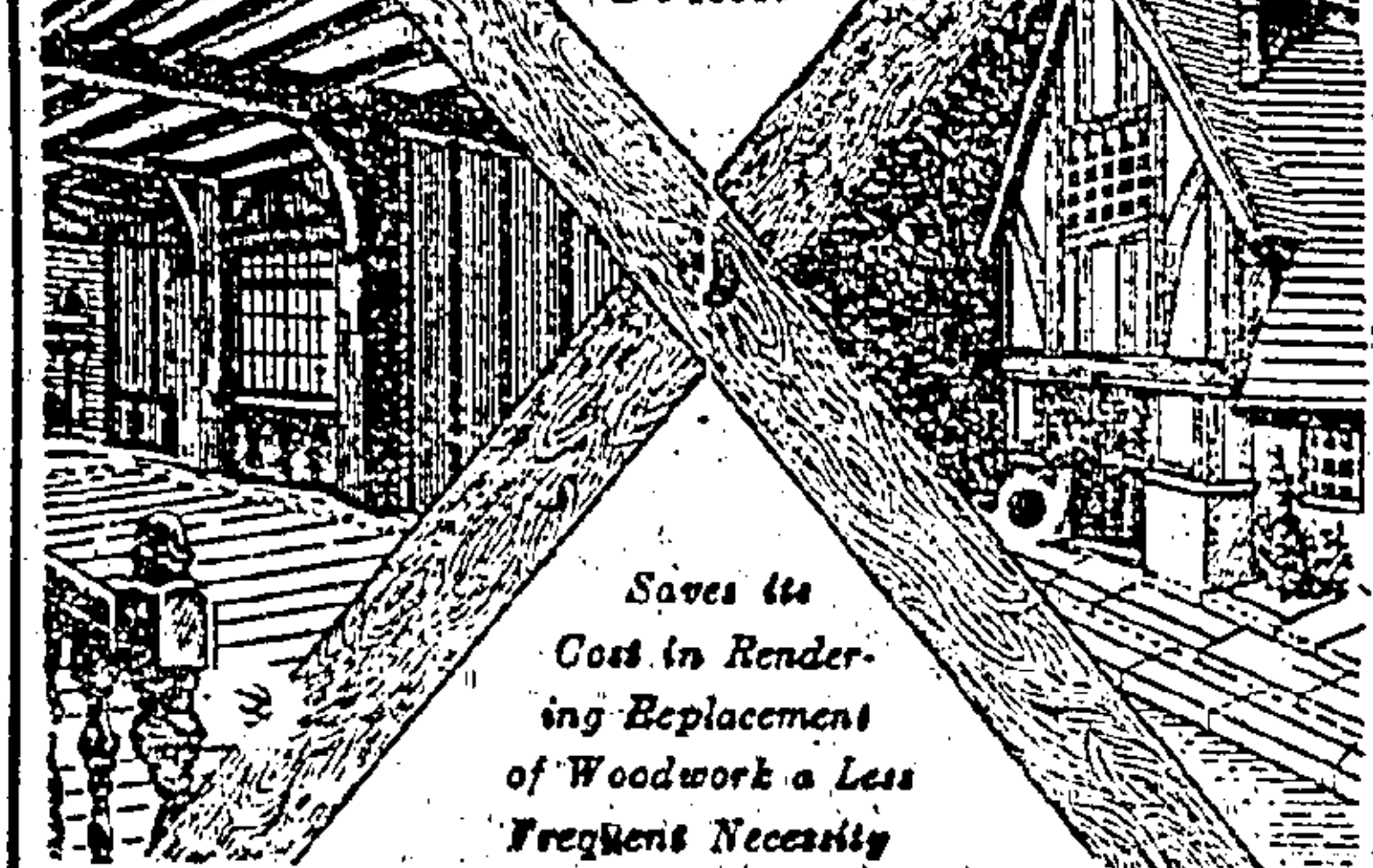
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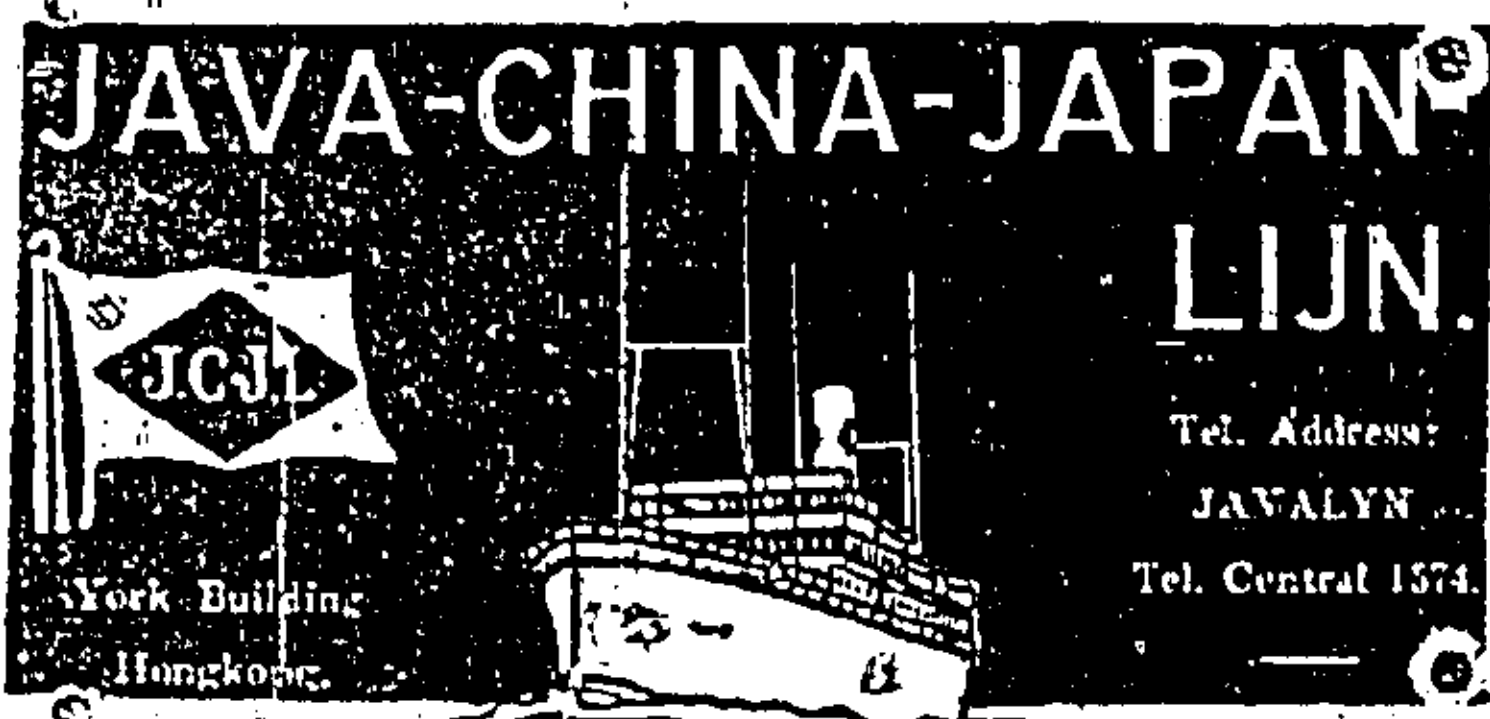
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ENGLAND'S TEST HOPES.

DEARTH OF CLASS BOWLERS IN CRICKET.

The year of 1924 will probably be memorable in the annals of cricket. England will have the chance to restore her prestige with the coming of the South Africans, who open their tour at Leicester on the third day of May, just as the Australians did in 1921, and with the impending visit to the land of the golden fleece. Will England's players be able to repel their reputation? Let us hope for the best. In the meantime the game is full of life overseas. For the Currie Cup tournament has been played in South Africa, the Sheffield Shield contest is in progress on the other side of the world, where New South Wales is about to send a team to New Zealand and Victoria is considering the possibility of a trip to Ceylon and Southern India. There is activity everywhere—even in England—for preparations for next season, and especially for the visit of the South Africans, are more advanced than usual. But the hunt for first-class bowlers never flags.

IN AUSTRALIA AND SOUTH AFRICA.
"Not Out" in *The Spectator* of Sydney declares that New South Wales would be all the better if another bowler of the best party be brought to light. In the State of Victoria I find, "J.W." in *The Australasian* lamenting that "our bowling is anything but of the world variety, though passable in character, decent in length, and keen as a general rule." The writer also regrets the "laborious character of modern batmanship, and the lack of sparkling strokes. Yet the great inter-State match between Victoria and New South Wales resulted on New Year's Day, after playing for nearly six days, in the success of Victoria by 41 runs. The margin is small when it is remembered that the aggregate for the four innings was 1,331, and that New South Wales needed 420 in the last innings in order to win. Such figures, the result of "labour" spread over five days and a half, suggest that the bowling was accurate without being inspired and that the batting was solid and steady and not in the style of Bruce and Graham. Trumper and Macartney, Victoria's batsmen, also gained a fine victory over South Australia, who had a substantial lead on the first innings. In South Africa there has never been a successor to Kotze, and the great googly jugglers, and to those who have the sinister hand highly developed. The *Star*, a newspaper published in Johannesburg, declares that E. P. Nupen and J. M. Blakenburg stand out as first choices as bowlers, but the commentator adds that the difficulties appear to be the fast bowler, and the slow left-hand. How far all these moans are justified cannot be said thousands of miles away from the scene of action.

YOUNGER BOWLERS NEEDED.

How do we—that is to say England—stand in relation to bowling? What hope is there for an improvement upon the series of defeats in 1923 and 1921, both abroad and at home? The vital point upon which the whole argument will turn, is England's attack. Memory is proverbially short and treacherous. The men who bowled for England in the five Tests of 1921 in this country consisted of Parkin, F. Woolley, Durston, Richmond, Hearne, Howell, Parker, Rhodes and Hitch among professionals, and J. W. H. T. Douglas, V. W. C. Jupp, P. G. H. Fender, Nigel Haig, and J. C. White among amateurs. The fact that there were fourteen bowlers emphasises the place of respectable mediocrity which characterised England's cricket. Who then among these cricketers will play in the Test matches of this year? It is impossible to say. The interval is long, and the measure of ability which these players possessed three years ago cannot now be taken for granted. In the first place the average will be just under 30 during the ensuing season. Their years range from 20, an age which Durston attains in July, to 46, for the evergreen Rhodes will not be 47 until October. Therefore, it is fair to say that not one of these fourteen will be under 30 when the crisis of the summer hoped for has arrived. Percy Fender, in his book "Defending the Ashes," points out that the English side which visited Australia in 1920-21 averaged 35 years 7 months, and 29 days on the day they made 447 in the third Test match at Adelaide, and that this was the record for the oldest side who ever scored 450 in one of these games, the oldest eleven prior to that being MacLaren's eleven at the Oval in August, 1903, and that their average was 32 years, 2 months and 12 days. Into these statistics it is not necessary to plunge, but England wants young bowlers, at least, for bowling, needs the strength of youth, the power of recovery for a second or even third spell, and above all this country cannot afford to play men who are not quick when fielding.

YOUNGER ENGLISH BOWLERS.

Taking last season's cricket as some guide for this year, England must rely primarily for bowling on Maurice Tate, Arthur Gilligan, Roy Kilner, Percy Fender and George Macaulay, with a saving clause on behalf of Staples, of Nottingham. Some are rather older than the ideal, but Tate will be 29, Gilligan 30, Kilner 33, Fender 31, Macaulay 27, and Staples 29. They represent different types of bowling—Tate (right-hand) medium, with some deliveries exceedingly fast; Gilligan (right-hand fast); Kilner (left-hand slow-medium of subtle variety); Macaulay (right-hand medium, with lift from the pitch, and most difficult on his day); and Staples (right-hand medium fast from the pitch, easy action, very accurate, and enough break to beat the best bats). I can never forget the bowling of Staples against Yorkshire at Leeds last year. Any one of these five men can hit a century, and every one of them can field with anticipation, accuracy and speed. The only one of these who played in England during 1921 is Fender, and he was a finer cricketer than ever. Naturally there will be diversity of opinion, especially about Staples, who

is not fashionable, and who has never been picked for any of the big matches, but he is another Wilfred Flowers, in my judgment, and Flowers was good enough for the old country when it was very hard to get into the eleven. Tate was the bowler of the year in 1923, with 210 wickets for a shade under 14 runs each. Arthur Gilligan took 163 wickets, Kilner 138, Fender 178, Macaulay 168, and Staples 92 wickets. These figures represent success, and ought to secure the serious consideration of the claims of these five. Not one of the five had a batting average under 21. Fender scored 1,127 runs, Kilner 1,434, Gilligan 1,183, Tate 1,168, and Staples 901, but he only had 24 completed innings. Statistics strongly support the inclusion of these five players, one of whom would provide an excellent captain.

THE CAPTAIN.

There seems to be a current of thought in the most influential circles in favour of appointing Arthur Gilligan captain of England. No one need suppose that this gentleman covets such an onerous office, but he is a clever captain and, apart from his undoubted abilities as a versatile player, he has the courtesy and the civility of a true sportsman. Mr. Gilligan possesses the respect of the players and the confidence of the public. No doubt the status of other gentlemen will be discussed, but there are many points of view to be considered, and the balance decidedly in favour of the captain of Sussex, who, no doubt, will have the support of Hobbs, A. P. F. Chapman, A. W. Carr, Frank Woolley, G. E. C. Wood, and Sutcliffe, when England's eleven is chosen for the first Test at Birmingham on June 14th. Since 1921 English bowling has developed, and revives the hope of this country's loyalists.

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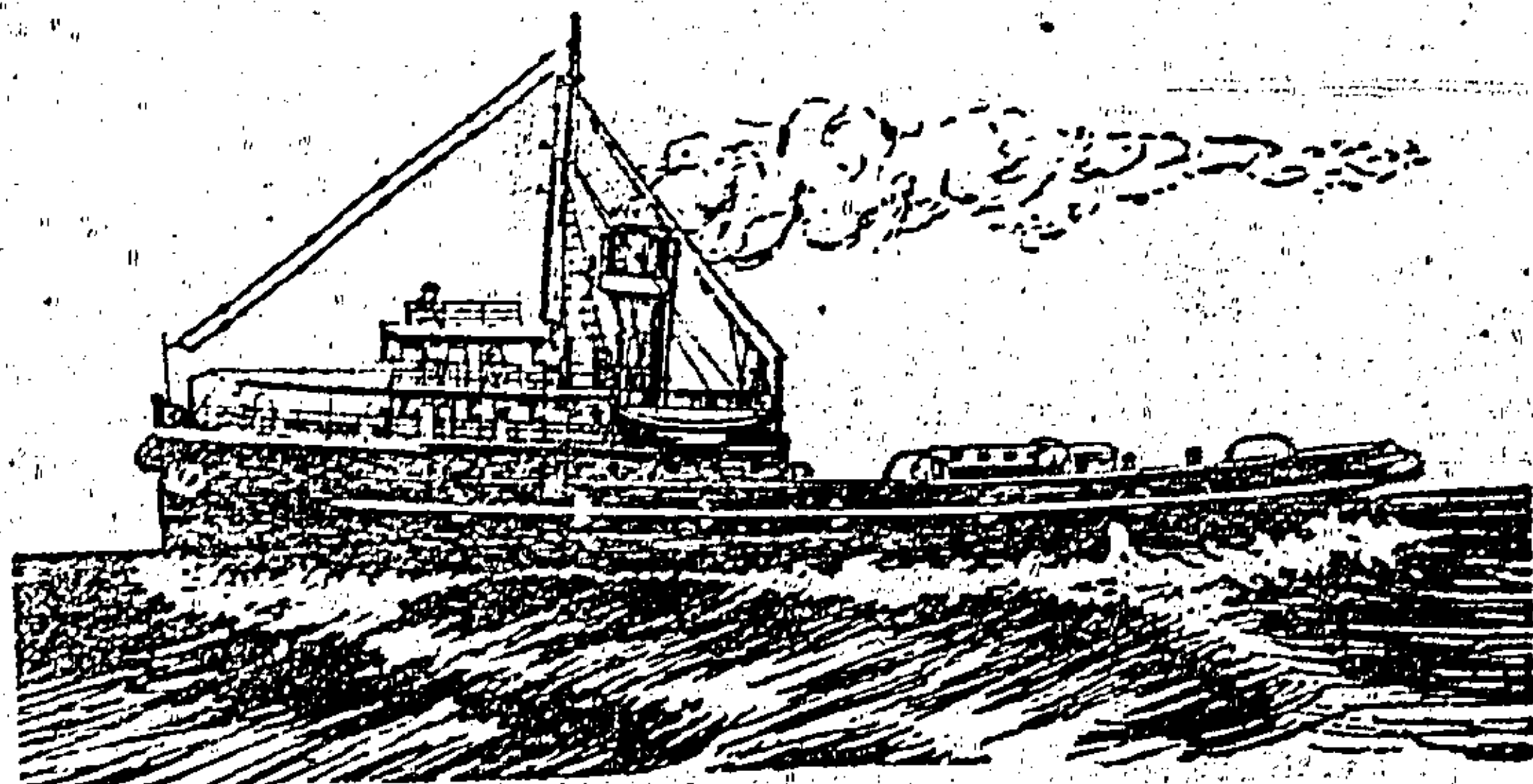
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 Hanchuan, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. J. S. de Wolf, from Tientsin, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 433.—Tal Wai & Co.
 Japan, British str., 2,337 tons, Capt. A. Munro, from Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf.—Mackinnon, Macdonald & Co.
 Kalgan, British str., 1,576 tons, Capt. G. H. Pennington, from Bangkok and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 131.—J. M. & Co.
 Tei Sang, British str., 972 tons, Capt. T. Croft, from Haiphong and Haiphong, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 433.—J. M. & Co.
 Zaitan, British str., 1,409 tons, Capt. D. R. McLean, from Saigon, with rice, lying at buoy No. 131.—H.M.H. Nemoze.
 Ning Sang, British str., 969 tons, Capt. T. H. Ferguson, from Saigon, with rice, lying at buoy No. 433.—J. M. & Co.
 Nya Tiah, Portuguese str., 117 tons, Capt. A. C. Joao, from Tientsin, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 433.—Chung Hong & Co.
 Perla, British str., 475 tons, Capt. W. A. Norman, from Moji, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 433.—Mackinnon, Macdonald & Co.
 President Jackson, American str., 5,403 tons, Capt. A. O. Lister, from Manila, with a general cargo, lying at Taikoo Dock.—Admiral Oriental Line.
 Siedin, British str., 1,188 tons, Capt. H. E. Davis, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 433.—Mackinnon, Macdonald & Co.
 Surabaja Maru, Japanese str., 2,728 tons, Capt. H. Morita, from Saubikan, with a general cargo, lying at Admiralty No. 1.—D.S.K.
 Tishin, Dutch str., 755 tons, Capt. G. van Tigh, from Bangkok, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 433.—J.C.L.
 Wo Tung, British str., 1,278 tons, Capt. D. Gordon, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at West Point wharf.—J. M. & Co.

CLEARANCES.

March 23rd
 Changchow, for Shanghai.
 Chahar, for Canton.
 Hanchuan Maru, for China Wang Tao.
 Kalgan Maru, for Swatow.
 March 27th
 Genoa Maru, for Singapore.
 Haiphong, for Swatow.
 Jek Sang, for Swatow.
 Sanna Maru, for Tientsin.
 Siedin, for Singapore.
 Tishin, for Shanghai.
 T. Orestina, for Singapore.
 Waring, for Bangkok.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.
 For S.S. President Jackson (Admiral Line), from Manila, on March 27th:—
 For Hongkong: Mrs. F. Allen, Miss A. Campbell, Mr. W. C. Chin, Mr. G. M. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. E. Habicht, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Kirkland, Mr. and Mrs. H. Miller, Mr. E. L. Matteson, Mr. A. H. Power, Mr. John J. Richt, Mr. L. Smart, Mr. L. San Jines, Rev. S. de Silva, Mr. J. M. Ulrich, Miss E. Yenka, Miss P. Q. de Yenka, Master Marion Yenka, Jr. For Shanghai: Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Byram, Mary L. Chamberlain, Mrs. C. W. Chaddock, Miss D. H. Chaddock, Mr. Nicolas Quadra, Master R. Eastman, Mrs. L. Epstein, Dr. E. A. Friend, Mr. and Mrs. M. Goldstein, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. F. Herreshoff, Mrs. A. Levitt, Mrs. M. Moody, Mr. W. H. Motley, Mr. D. P. de Taglie, Miss P. Tidmarsh, Mr. S. P. White, Mr. J. W. Weigler. For Kalgan: Miss J. Bondillon, Mrs. R. H. Long, Mr. O. H. Landon, Mr. A. Montgomery, Mr. R. Montgomery, Mrs. R. L. Montgomery, Misses Montgomery, Mr. R. Shaw, Dr. J. A. B. Scherer, Mr. J. Suddon, Miss J. Suddon, Miss G. Whitting. For Seattle: Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Lens, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. O'Malley and family (6), Miss A. de la Rama, Miss L. de la Rama, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Terry.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The E. and A. Co's s.s. *Amfreen* left Moji for this port on the 23rd inst., and is due here on the 26th inst. at about 8 p.m.
 The s.s. *Perla* (Blue Funnel Line), for Marseilles, Havre, Liverpool and Glasgow, left Shanghai on the 27th inst. for this port, and is due here on the 30th inst. She will be despatched at 4 p.m. on April 1st.
 The Dollar Steamship Line's *President Adams*, which is due at this port on March 31st, arrived at Shanghai on March 25th, on schedule.
 The Pacific Mail s.s. *President Lincoln* sailed from Kobe for Shanghai on March 24th.
 The Pacific Mail s.s. *Lake Fielding* sailed from Singapore for Penang on March 23rd.
 The Pacific Mail s.s. *Lake Gilpin* sailed from Rangoon for Penang on March 24th.

The Pacific Mail s.s. *Lake Gilpin* arrived at Calcutta from Rangoon on March 24th.
 The Admiral Oriental Line's *President McKelvey*, which arrived from Manila yesterday, sails for Shanghai, Japan, Victoria and Seattle at 8 a.m. on March 30th.

The Admiral Oriental Line's *President Jefferson*, which is due at this port on April 11th, sailed from Seattle on March 21st, on schedule.
 The Admiral Oriental Line's *President Jackson*, which is due at this port on March 26th, sailed from Kobe for Shanghai on March 21st, on schedule.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Albert Taylor (Hugo Stinnes), due March 29th.
 Andre Lebon (M.M.), due 25th April.
 Juyo Maru (T.K.K.), due April 8th.
 Atsuta Maru (N.Y.K.), due April 8th.
 Autichou (Blue Funnel Line), due April 15th.
 Autouloa (Blue Funnel), due April 25th.
 Chambord (M.M.), due April 7th.
 Empress of Australia due April 10th.
 Hakodate Maru (N.Y.K.), due March 20th.
 Helena (Blue Funnel Line), due April 7th.
 Honora (B.I. & April), due April 1st.
 Hurlingham (Blue Funnel), due today.
 Patroclus (Blue Funnel), due April 14th.
 Paul Leroy (M.M.), due 21st April.
 Porphyra (M.M.), due March 30th.
 President Adams (Dollar), due March 31st.
 President Jackson (Admiral Oriental), due March 30th.
 President Jackson (Admiral Oriental), due March 30th.
 President Polk (Dollar), due April 5th.
 Rhosus (Blue Funnel), due March 30th.
 Thomas (Blue Funnel), due April 25th.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying in the Great Northern Telegraph Company's office at Hongkong:—

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Shikoku Nippon-ka	Kobe
Sakaki	Otsuka
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Changhong, No. 1, New Western	Shanghai
Tack Dai	Amoy
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Hongkong	Shanghai
3201	Tientsin
Yoshimura	Shanghai

The following is a list of unclaimed telegrams lying in the Eastern Extension, Australasia and China Telegraph Company's office at Hongkong:—

Address	From
Neveva	Amoy
1077/21st	Batavia
1077/21st	Batavia
1077/21st	Batavia
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1077/21st	Batavia
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1077/21st	Batavia

WEATHER REPORT.

March 23rd at 17:51—Pressure changes are slight at all reporting stations.
 The anticyclonic conditions appears to be practically unchanged.
 Fresh monsoon may be expected along the coast and moderate monsoon over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, 27th March, 0.99 inch. Total since January 1st, 5.92 inches, against an average of 2.71 inches.
 The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, Mar. 24th is as follows:—
 District Forecast
 Formosa Channel: N.E. wind, strong.
 Hongkong to Gap Rock: N.E. wind, strong. Moderating, cloudy.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook: do.
 South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: do.

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From March 23rd to April 3rd, 1924.
 High Water. Low Water.

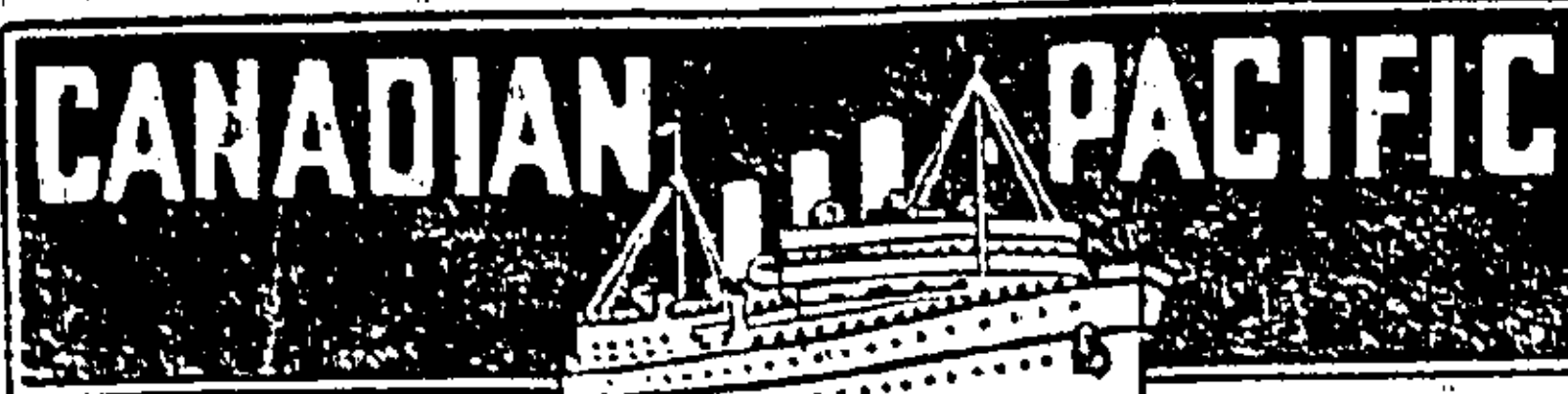
Day of Week	Day of Month	H.K. High	H.K. Low	H.K. High	H.K. Low	H.K. High	H.K. Low
Fri.	23	1.22	4.2	1.22	4.2	1.22	4.2
Satur.	24	1.14	4.3	1.14	4.3	1.14	4.3
Sund.	25	1.14	4.3	1.14	4.3	1.14	4.3
Mon.	26	1.14	4.3	1.14	4.3	1.14	4.3
Tues.	27	1.14	4.3	1.14	4.3	1.14	4.3
Wed.	28	1.14	4.3	1.14	4.3	1.14	4.3
Thur.	29	1.14	4.3	1.14	4.3	1.14	4.3

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 All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 4th April, 1924, or they will not be recognized.
 All damaged packages will be examined on Saturday, the 29th instant, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.
 No Fire Insurance has been effected.
 R. RODENFUSER, Acting Agent.
 Hongkong, 24th March, 1924. [551]



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 SHIBUYA MARU 22,000 tons, May 5th, 1924.
 TATTO MARU 22,000 tons, May 18th to Kobe Direct.
 TENYO MARU 22,000 tons, May 28th.

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HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.

LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES & VALENCIA.

TUSHIMA MARU ... Thursday, 17th Apr.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, &c.

YOSHINO MARU ... Friday, 18th Apr., at 11 a.m.

AKI MARU ... Wednesday, 14th May, at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK & BOSTON via PANAMA.

TSUTAMA MARU ... Thursday, 8th Apr.

TORA MARU ... Sunday, 4th May

BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.

KANAGAWA MARU ... Tuesday, 8th May

BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.

GENOA MARU ... Friday, 18th Mar.

SADO MARU ... Thursday, 10th Apr.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

AWA MARU ... Sunday, 30th Mar.

NAGANO MARU ... Friday, 4th Apr.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

AKI MARU ... Friday, 11th Apr.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

HOKODATE MARU ... Sunday, 30th Mar.

ATSUTA MARU ... Thursday, 10th Apr.

KASHIMA MARU ... Tuesday, 22nd Apr.

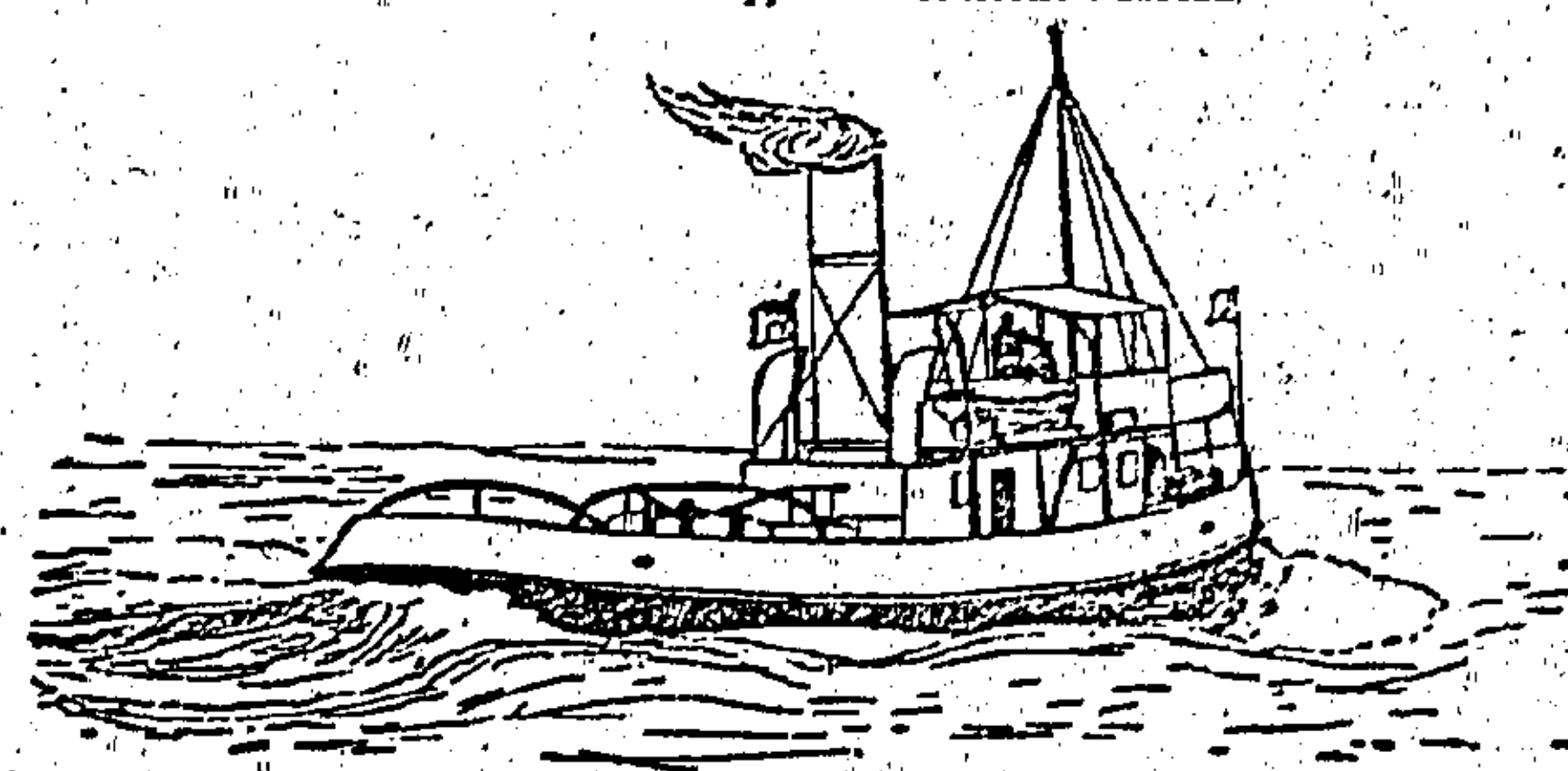
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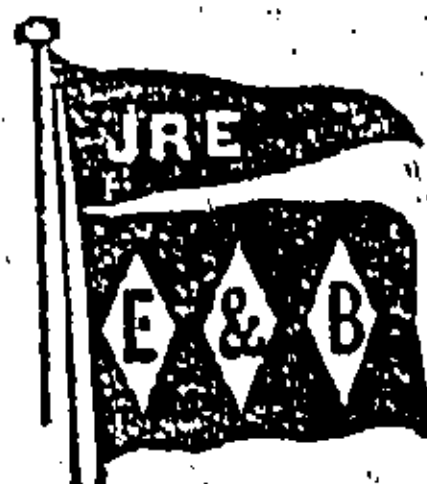


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ANGKOR	—	—	27th April
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"PERIN"	7,648	28th Mar.	Singapore & Bombay.
"TIPPORE"	6,318	3rd April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"KHYBER"	9,014	5th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"LAHORE"	5,252	11th April	Singapore & Bombay.
"PADUA"	5,907	12th April	Singapore, Penang & B'way.
"NELLORE"	5,553	17th April	Mars., L'don, Antwerp & B'way.
"CHINA"	7,932	19th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"SOUJAN"	6,695	26th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"KASHMIR"	7,418	2nd May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"KALYAN"	8,983	17th May	do
"PLASSY"	9,097	21st May	do
"SICILIA"	6,813	25th May	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"KALYAN"	8,983	31st May	Mars., London & Antwerp.
"KASHMIR"	7,418	14th June	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"SOUJAN"	6,695	21st June	Mars., L'don & B'way.
"MOREA"	10,911	28th June	do
"KARMALA"	9,093	2nd July	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"SICILIA"	6,813	23rd July	Mars., L'don & B'way.
"MALWA"	10,911	28th July	do
"DEVANHA"	8,073	5th Aug.	do
"MANTUA"	10,902	12th Aug.	do
"KHYBER"	9,014	19th Aug.	do
"KAISAR-HIND"	11,430	26th Sept.	do

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"WALINA"	3,120	28th Mar. 8 a.m.	Hongkong
"TORILLA"	5,305	5th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo.
"TALMA"	10,000	12th April	do
"GOGRA"	6,052	19th April	do
"JAPAN"	6,948	26th April	do
"TAKADA"	6,948	23rd May	do

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"ARAFURA"	6,012	2nd Apr.	Manila, Sundatan, Thursday
"ST. ALBANS"	4,512	30th Apr.	Island, Fowat, B'way, Sydney & Melbourne.
"EASTERN"	4,030	28th May	do

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 The New Zealand Shipping Co.'s Steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

"JAPAN"	6,052	28th Mar. 9 a.m.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Yokohama & Kobe.
"SOUJAN"	6,695	2nd Apr.	Shanghai.
"KASHMIR"	7,418	5th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,512	6th Apr.	Moji & Kobe.
"GOGRA"	5,131	7th Apr.	do
"PLASSY"	7,420	18th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KHIVA"	9,097	2nd May	do
"EASTERN"	4,030	3rd May	Moji & Kobe.
"TAKADA"	6,919	10th May	Shanghai.
"SICILIA"	6,813	15th May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	7,418	20th May	Moji & Kobe.
"TORILLA"	5,252	30th May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MOREA"	10,911	3rd June	Moji & Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,012	7th June	Shanghai.
"SOUJAN"	6,695	11th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KARMALA"	9,093	18th June	do
"MALWA"	10,911	27th June	Moji & Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,512	28th July	Shanghai.
"SICILIA"	6,813	10th July	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"DEVANHA"	8,073	11th July	do
"MANTUA"	10,902	21st July	Moji & Kobe.
"EASTERN"	4,030	2nd Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KHYBER"	9,014	8th Aug.	do
"KAISAR-HIND"	11,430	22nd Aug.	do
"KASHMIR"	7,418	5th Sept.	Moji & Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,012	6th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MOREA"	10,911	19th Sept.	do
"KASHMIR"	7,418	3rd Oct.	Moji & Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,512	4th Oct.	do

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AMOI & SHANGHAI	"YANTING"	On 1st Apr. D.L.
SHANGHAI	"SUICHOW"	On 1st Apr. D.L.
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SHANGHAI	"SOOCHOW"	On 2nd Apr. D.L.
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